

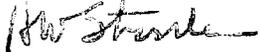


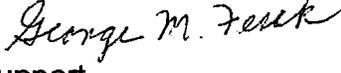
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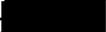
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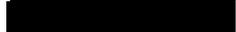
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SUBJECT: Fatality Review Committee Decision on Chargeability

Case No.: 2013-M-02-

Deceased: 

Date of Incident: January 22, 2013

Date of Death: January 25, 2013

Operator: Anchor Stone Company

Mine: Delaware Sand Plant

Decision: Not chargeable

In a unanimous decision, the Fatality Review Committee has determined that the death of [REDACTED] should not be charged to the mining industry. [REDACTED], a 57 year old customer truck driver, was found unresponsive and slumped over the steering wheel of his truck. Upon arrival at the mine site, he had manually unrolled the truck tarp in preparation for receiving a load of material. He radioed the front-end loader operator but failed to respond when the operator answered him. Co-workers began CPR and he was transported to the hospital where he died 3 days later.

The death certificate indicated that the manner of death was natural and that the cause of death was congestive heart failure due to hypertensive cardiovascular disease. Other significant medical conditions listed included coronary artery disease and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. An autopsy was not performed.

Based on the findings of the death certificate and the MSHA investigation, the committee members concluded that [REDACTED] died due to natural causes and that his death should not be charged to the mining industry.

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