

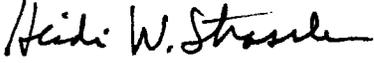


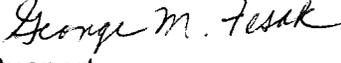
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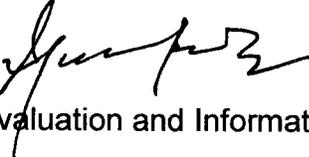
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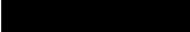
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SUBJECT: Chargeability Review Committee Decision

Case No.: 2014-M-24-

Deceased: 


Date of Incident: June 09, 2014

Date of Death: June 09, 2014

Operator: Missouri Sand Company
LLC

Mine: River Bend

Decision: Not chargeable

In a unanimous decision, the Chargeability Review Committee has determined that the death of [REDACTED] should not be charged to the mining industry. [REDACTED] year old welder, was using a seven inch grinder removing slag from the edges of gussets when he complained of shortness of breath, chest pain and hand numbness. He was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead shortly after arrival.

The death certificate and the autopsy report indicated that the manner of death was natural and that the cause of death was an acute myocardial infarction due to hypertensive atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease. The toxicology screen was negative. MSHA's investigation did not identify any physical or environmental factors that could have contributed to the death.

Based on the findings of the death certificate, autopsy report 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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