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SUBJECT: Fatality Review Committee Decision on Chargeability

Case No.: 2014-C-01 

Deceased: 

Date of Incident: January 17, 2014

Date of Death: January 17, 2014

Operator: PBS Coals, Inc.

Mine: Cambria Fuel Plant

Contractor: James F. Barron
Trucking

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 39 year old contractor truck driver, was found unresponsive in the cab of his haul truck. He was transported by ambulance to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead.

The death certificate indicated that the cause of death was cardiac arrhythmia. Hypertensive heart disease was listed as an underlying cause and morbid obesity was listed as a significant medical condition. An autopsy was not performed. 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 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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