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SUBJECT: Chargeability Review Committee Decision

Case No.: 2014-M-49-[REDACTED]

Deceased: [REDACTED]

Date of Incident: March 17, 2014

Date of Death: March 17, 2014

Operator: Empresas Ortiz Brunet,
Inc.

Mine: Cantera San Antonio

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] was a 36-year-old customer truck driver who was at the mine to pick up a load of crushed stone. As he walked to the office to obtain a load ticket, he suddenly collapsed to the ground. Emergency response personnel pronounced him dead at the scene.

The coroner's report indicates that the manner of death was natural and that the cause of death was a cardiac atherosclerotic condition. MSHA's investigation failed to find any physical or environmental factors that could have contributed to the death.

Based on these findings, the committee concludes that [REDACTED] death was due to natural causes and should not be charged to the mining industry.

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