GENERAL INFORMATION COVER SHEET

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Inspection Code: E02  Event No.: 6284326

Company Name: Performance Coal Co.

Mine Name: Upper Big Branch Mine-South

Mine I.D. Number: 46-05436

Date(s) of Mine File Review: 3-25-10

D Status: ✔ Citation/Order No.: 962672 Date: 3-17-09

Dates of Inspection: began 3-25-10, completed 3-25-10

Pre-Inspection Conference Date: 3-25-10

Company Representative(s): N/A

Miners Representative(s): N/A

Post-Inspection Conference Date: 3-25-10

Company Representative(s): N/A

Miners Representative(s): N/A

Comments: I fully communicated the results of my inspection to the operator.

Inspector's Initials: [redacted]

Supervisor's Initials: [redacted]


DAILY COVER SHEET

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Date: 3-25-10

Event No.: 6284326

Arrived at the Mine: 0630

Departed from the Mine: __________ __________

List Records Books Checked:

Barrier Section: Health; Pumps

Accompanied By: Company Representative

Miners Representative: N/A

AREAS OF INSPECTION ACTIVITY:

Production

E02 on Barrier Section

mmn-062-0

Talked to Safety Dept. on Dust Parameters

Dust Parameters on Section

Inspector's Initials: [redacted]

Supervisor's Initials: [redacted]

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Rolled in on 16 Mantrip to barrier section.

Walked up on section

Made dropped damaged run across face. 1-7.

Checked dust parameter on TMO48 may 26-0

Inspector's Initials

Supervisor's Initials and Date 

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Date 3-25-10

Began to replace gasket on doors, needed re-glued.

Air direction on section was from 7 to 1 sweeping across 100 HP intended in far area, 30 HP in face.

Section was down when left due to both roof bolts being down.

 Asked about fiber glass cloth to scale tap since it is so high. Said they were ordered last week and due in at any time.

Discussed at length with both safety directors what is required for dust parameters checks on roof bolts. They both took notes and asked a few questions about gasket. Also discussed life line signals as it went to citation the first time.
I was here on 4/25/10.

I fully covered the work that was done on the machine. The filter had a bad gasket on it that allowed dust to get behind it and on to the clean side of the filter. This allowed dust to get trapped at the edge of the inner box. Also, the filter had a bad gasket on both sides of the machine. The dust filter had a bad gasket on both sides of the filter. This caused gaps to be present. The filter was on the clean side of the filter. The dust filter showed dust in the housing that suggest days of being cleaned instead of replaced. The gaskets showed a lot of wear and 5 days in the line. I think this condition has assisted.

Inspector's Initials: [Redacted]

Supervisor's Initials and Date: [Redacted]
6. 4 people on roof bolter operating on the fresh air side of the section. 2 roof bolters and 1 miner operator and a former are going to the down wind from the machine. Also when the water box was full according to the roof bolters I still saw fine rock dust flowing out the back of the machine as did the former and...

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7. Permanently disabling due to lung disease from fine rock dust and silica.

8. Lungs disabled likely as miners are still getting lung disease today and there is more rock being cut by CM's and roof bolters are putting bigger roof bolts up requiring bigger and deeper holes to be drilled.

Inspector's Initials

Supervisor's Initials and Date...

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