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Introduction of MSHA’s End Black Lung Program
Joseph A. Main, Assistant Secretary of Labor for
Mine Safety and Health Administration

Secretary of Labor Hilda Solis Remarks (Videotaped message)

Delivering on the Promise of the Mine Act
Gregory R. Wagner, M.D., Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy
Mine Safety and Health Administration

What We’ve Seen in the Field, Our Investigation of the Problem
and What It Tells Us
Dr. Tom Novak, Deputy Director of the Office of Mine Safety and Health Research
National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Ron Carson, Chair, National Coalition of
Black Lung and Respiratory Disease Clinics

Sparkle Bonds, Director, Virginia Black Lung Association

Recognition of Special Guests by Assistant Secretary Joe Main

Daniel J. Kane, International Secretary-Treasurer, United Mine Workers of America
David Young, President, Bituminous Coal Operators’ Association

The Impact of Black Lung on the Lives of Miners and Their Families
Mark McCowan, Former Miner Afflicted with Black Lung

Congressional Supporters
Senator Jim Webb (statement)
Congressman Rick Boucher (statement)

MSHA’s Comprehensive Black Lung Strategy
Assistant Secretary Joe Main

Closing Remarks
Assistant Secretary Joe Main