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SUBJECT: Fatality Review Committee Decision on Chargeability

Case No.: 2010-M-24-[REDACTED]

Deceased: [REDACTED]

Date of Incident: September 03,
2010

Date of Death: September 03, 2010

Operator: Cedar Mountain Stone
Corp.

Mine: Mitchell Quarry

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 40 year old equipment operator, was putting hydraulic oil into an excavator when he collapsed. When he was discovered by a co-worker, he was unresponsive and without a pulse. Co-workers began CPR. The deceased was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead.

[REDACTED] had a history of diabetes. He had indicated to the Mine Superintendent earlier in his shift that he was not feeling well. He decided that he wanted to stay and continue working. No autopsy was performed. The death certificate indicated that the death was due to the effects of diabetes and hypertension.

The committee members concluded that [REDACTED] died from natural causes and that his death should not be charged to the mining industry.

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