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SUBJECT: Fatality Review Committee Decision on Chargeability

Case No.: 2010-M-43- [REDACTED]

Deceased: [REDACTED]

Date of Incident: December 28,  
2010

Date of Death: December 28, 2010

Operator: West Coast Aggregate  
Supply, Inc.

Mine: West Coast Aggregate  
Supply, Inc.

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 70 year old over-the-road truck driver, delivered a wind turbine nacelle to a re-powering project at the mine and was driving from the site when he lost consciousness and ran the truck into a wind turbine blade. He was found slumped over the steering wheel. Workers at the property initiated CPR. He was transported to the hospital by emergency personnel where he was pronounced dead.

The autopsy report and death certificate indicated that the cause of death was an acute coronary artery thrombosis due to hypertensive and atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease. The death certificate indicated that the manner of death was natural.

Based on the findings of the death certificate and the autopsy report, 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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