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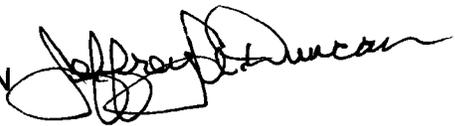
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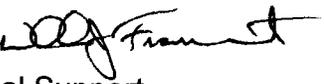
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MEMORANDUM FOR NEAL H. MERRIFIELD
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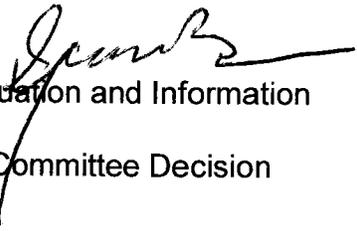
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SUBJECT: Chargeability Review Committee Decision

Case No.: 2015-M-23-

Deceased: 

Date of Incident: May 24, 2015

Date of Death: May 24, 2015

Autopsy: Not performed.

Death Certificate Issued: July 14,
2015

Operator: Armetta LLC

Mine: Armetta LLC-Bradford Quarry

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. Mr. [REDACTED], a 28-year old trespasser, had illegally accessed the mine with three friends to ride motorcycles. While on foot Mr. [REDACTED] tripped over the edge of the highwall and fell approximately 60 feet. He was pronounced dead at the scene by emergency responders.

The death certificate indicated that the manner of death was accidental and the immediate cause of death was multiple blunt force injuries. An autopsy was not conducted.

Based on these findings, the Committee members concluded that Mr. [REDACTED] death should not be charged to the mining industry.

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