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SUBJECT: Fatality Review Committee Decision on Chargeability

Case No.: 2010-M-41 [REDACTED]

Deceased: [REDACTED]

Date of Incident: December 06,
2010

Date of Death: December 06, 2010

Operator: Minnesota Mining
Manufacturing Co.

Mine: 3M Little Rock Industrial Mineral
Prod.

Contractor: Securitas

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 57 year old contract security guard, was found unresponsive by a co-worker coming to replace him. Emergency medical services were called and he was pronounced dead at the scene.

The death certificate and autopsy report both indicated that the manner of death was natural and was due to coronary artery atherosclerosis. The autopsy found up to a 90% narrowing of the coronary arteries. The toxicology screen was negative. An examination of the guard shack found no physical hazards or environmental factors that may have contributed to his death.

After an examination of the death certificate, the autopsy report and the MSHA investigation 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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