



Section I--Violation Data

1. Date Mo Da Yr 12/06/2011	2. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1035	3. Citation/ Order Number 8405581
4. Served To Berman Cornett-Safety Director		5. Operator PERFORMANCE COAL COMPANY, et al
6. Mine UPPER BIG BRANCH MINE-SOUTH		7. Mine ID 46-08436 (Contractor)
8. Condition or Practice		8a. Written Notice (103g) <input type="checkbox"/>

The review of the records (AMS system event logs) provided by Performance Coal Company indicates not all of the AMS system sensors are being calibrated at intervals not to exceed 31 days.

*There are active sensors that have no events recorded of being placed into calibration mode using known gases as required by the 30 CFR and the manufacturer.

*The event log indicates some sensors were placed into calibration mode with no indication of gases being applied.

*There are sensors that have been placed into calibration mode which appear to have had at least 50 PPM gas applied with no record of known 50 PPM gas being used in the written record (Citation was issued on written record number 8405580).

See Continuation Form (MSHA Form 7000-3a)

9. Violation	A. Health <input type="checkbox"/> Safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	B. Section of Act	C. Part/Section of Title 30 CFR 75.351(n)(3)(i)
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Section II--Inspector's Evaluation

10. Gravity:

A. Injury or Illness (has) (is): No Likelihood Unlikely Reasonably Likely Highly Likely Occurred

B. Injury or illness could reasonably be expected to be: No Lost Workdays Lost Workdays Or Restricted Duty Permanently Disabling Fatal

C. Significant and Substantial: Yes No

D. Number of Persons Affected: 010

11. Negligence (check one) A. None B. Low C. Moderate D. High E. Reckless Disregard

12. Type of Action 104(a)

13. Type of Issuance (check one) Citation Order Safeguard Written Notice

14. Initial Action

A. Citation B. Order C. Safeguard D. Written Notice

E. Citation/Order Number

F. Dated Mo Da Yr

15. Area or Equipment

16. Termination Due

A. Date Mo Da Yr
01/05/2012

B. Time (24 Hr. Clock)
0800

Section III--Termination Action

17. Action to Terminate

18. Terminated

A. Date Mo Da Yr

B. Time (24 Hr. Clock)

Section IV--Automated System Data

19. Type of Inspection (activity code) E16

20. Event Number 4440348

21. Primary or Mill

22. Signature Randall Lewis

23. AR Number 24262

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Section I--Subsequent Action/Continuation Data

1. Subsequent Action 1a. Continuation <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. Dated (Original Issue) Mo Da Yr 12/06/2011	3. Citation/Order Number 8405581
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Section II--Justification for Action

Continuation of 8. Condition or Practice

*The event log indicates the proper procedures were not used on some sensors during the calibration routine to insure proper calibration. Numerous CO sensors for the Pyott-Boone AMS system were not calibrated with the manufacturer 25 PPM CO gas.

*The failure of the operator to insure the complete check, test and calibration of sensors and the system exposed miners to the hazards of CO gases from fires.

This citation is being issued to the following entities as a unitary operator: Performance Coal Company, Massey Coal Services, A.T. Massey Coal Company, Inc., and Massey Energy Company.

See Continuation Form

Section III--Subsequent Action Taken

8. Extended To	A. Date Mo Da Yr	B. Time (24 Hr. Clock)	<input type="checkbox"/> C. Vacated	<input type="checkbox"/> D. Terminated	<input type="checkbox"/> E. Modified
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Section IV--Inspection Data

9. Type of Inspection E16	10. Event Number 4440348		
11. Signature Randall Lewis	AR Number 24262	12. Date Mo Da Yr 12/06/2011	13. Time (24 Hr. Clock) 1035