

**AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING AN ALLIANCE
BETWEEN
THE MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
AND
THE ASSOCIATION OF EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURERS**

The Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) and the Association of Equipment Manufacturers (AEM) recognize the value of working collaboratively to foster safer and more healthful American workplaces at the nation's mining operations. MSHA and AEM hereby renew their Alliance to provide miners who operate and maintain equipment with information, guidance, and access to resources that will help protect miner health and safety.

Focus will be given to promoting effective means to facilitate seatbelt usage, prevent slips/falls from equipment, prevent collisions, improve blind area visibility, prevent dump point overtravel, and develop machine-specific training materials for new miners as examples. MSHA and AEM recognize that time and budgetary constraints may prevent some or all of these issues from being addressed simultaneously and agree to prioritize projects, maximize Alliance efforts and optimize the use of available resources.

MSHA and AEM will work cooperatively through the Alliance to:

Aid in identifying the scope of safety and health concerns and provide a way to proactively communicate that scope to all (AEM) manufacturers of mobile equipment and powered haulage equipment.

Promote educational and training programs addressing the maintenance and operation of equipment in a safe and healthful manner.

Develop and disseminate best practices to stakeholders who operate and maintain equipment.

Speak, exhibit, or appear at MSHA/AEM conferences, other industry conferences or meetings attended by equipment operators, maintenance personnel and mine operators to promote safe use and maintenance of mining equipment.

Review final accident reports and accident data that involve equipment within AEM's scope. The Alliance will assist to identify, confirm, and prioritize issues and promote equipment safety and health.

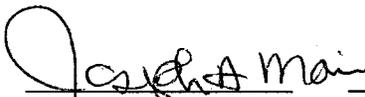
An Implementation Team made up of representatives from both organizations will meet to develop a plan of action, determine working procedures, and identify the roles and responsibilities of the participants. This team will meet twice per year to track and share information on activities and results in achieving the goals of the Alliance.

MSHA will be represented by designated personnel from Technical Support, Coal Mine Safety and Health, Metal and Nonmetal Mine Safety and Health, Educational Policy and Development and other appropriate program areas as needed. AEM will be represented by designated staff and select industry members from the Earthmoving and Mining Council, Technical & Safety Council and other related councils and committees.

AEM is authorized, with the concurrence of MSHA, to use the MSHA Alliance logo on documents, web pages, or other products related to or created under the Alliance for as long as the Alliance remains in effect and according to MSHA's "Guidance on the Use of the Alliance Logo." The logo must not be used for fundraising or lobbying efforts or to imply that MSHA endorses a particular entity or its actions or products.

MSHA and AEM will provide all services, products, and resources relating to or created under this Alliance without reimbursement from the other party.

This agreement will remain in effect for two years. Either signatory may terminate it for any reason at any time by written notice. This agreement may be modified at any time with the concurrence of both signatories.


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Date

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