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Dear Sirs,

I was very concerned to read today in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette that National Mining Association and other industry representatives are lobbying to rollback your important and intelligent new safety regulations. The 15-minute notification, a report for all fires, and the oxygen tanks along each and every escape route are essential to save the lives of miners. Please do not allow yourselves to be swayed by the bad arguments of the industry representatives! The lives of our miners must come before their profits. The hearts of all Pennsylvanians goes out to our miners. The memory of Sago is fresh in our minds.

Sincerely,

Benjamin Laurence

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