

**AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING AN ALLIANCE
BETWEEN
THE MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
AND
THE WOMEN'S MINING COALITION**

The Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) and the Women's Mining Coalition (WMC) recognize the value of establishing an Alliance to foster safer and more healthful working conditions for miners nationwide.

MSHA and WMC hereby establish an Alliance to provide mining industry personnel with information, guidance, and access to training resources that will protect the health and safety of miners. MSHA and WMC will work together to:

- i. Provide technical assistance to the mining industry for complying with the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act), as amended, and its standards in Title 30 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- ii. Provide information, education and training, and technical assistance to prevent injuries and illnesses.
- iii. Share best practices and effective approaches to improve mine safety and health.
- iv. Disseminate information on mine safety and health at conferences, events, or through print and electronic media, including links from MSHA's and WMC's websites.
- v. Speak, exhibit, or participate at workshops, conferences, and other stakeholder meetings to proactively address mine safety and health issues.

A team of representatives from both organizations will meet to develop a plan of action, determine working procedures, and identify the participants' roles and responsibilities. In addition, they will meet at least two times a year to track and share information on activities and results in achieving the goals of the Alliance.

WMC is authorized, with MSHA's approval, to use the MSHA Alliance Program logo on documents, webpages, and other products related to or created under the Alliance for as long as the Alliance remains in effect and in accordance with MSHA's "Guidance on the Use of the Alliance Program Logo" on the MSHA Alliance Program [webpage \(https://www.msha.gov/support-resources/alliances-mous\)](https://www.msha.gov/support-resources/alliances-mous). In particular, the logo may not be used to give the appearance that an Alliance Program participant's or other website is part of MSHA's website. 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. Before the Alliance Program logo is used, MSHA and WMC must approve all materials and products developed under this Alliance. When possible, all documents or other products bearing the logo must include the following statement:

This product was developed as part of the MSHA Alliance Program. It does not

necessarily reflect MSHA's official views. Use of the Alliance Program logo is reserved for MSHA and its active Alliance partners. The MSHA Alliance Program promotes miner safety and health through voluntary partnerships that provide training and education, outreach, technical assistance, and a national dialogue on mine safety and health. For more information, visit the MSHA Alliance Program webpage (<https://www.msha.gov/support-resources/alliances-mous>).

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

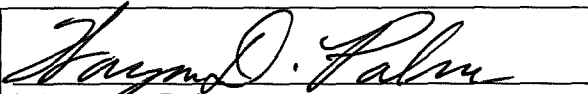

This Alliance creates no private right of action against the Federal Government or WMC. This Alliance creates no rights in any third party.

This Alliance is subject to the availability of funds. This agreement will not be construed as obligating funds. Nothing in this agreement obligates MSHA to expend appropriations or enter into any contract or other obligations.

Nothing in this Alliance shall limit, supersede, or otherwise affect MSHA's normal operations or decisions in carrying out its statutory or regulatory duties. This Alliance does not limit or restrict the parties from participating in similar activities or arrangements with other entities. This Alliance also does not limit or restrict the parties from taking any other necessary action.

The legal authorities for this Alliance are 30 U.S.C. §§ 952(a)-(c)(1) and 962.

Unless otherwise extended, this agreement will remain in effect for three (3) years. Either signatory may terminate it for any reason at any time, provided they give 30 days' written notice. This agreement may be modified at any time with the concurrence of both signatories.

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