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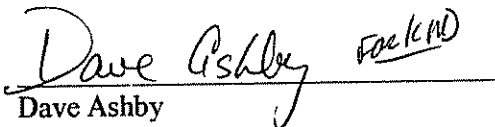
Dear Director Dean:

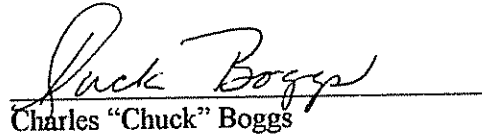
We the members of the WV Board of Coal Mine Health and Safety have reviewed the WV Mine Safety Technology Task Force report, dated May 25, 2006. We wholeheartedly support and endorse the recommendations within the report.

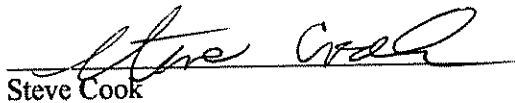
Additionally, the Board would like to compliment each individual member for his dedication and hard work as it relates to the health and safety of West Virginia coal miners.

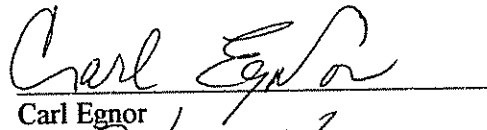
The board would also like to commend the Task Force for the depth and the breadth of the report.

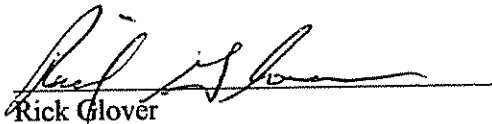
It has been our pleasure to work with the task force members as well as with the Office of Miners Health Safety and Training and we look forward to providing the necessary joint assistance and support in carrying out the recommendations outline in the report.

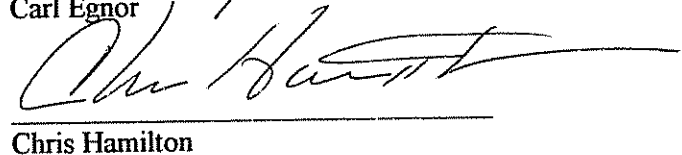

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- Senate President Earl Ray Tomblin
- House Speaker Robert Kiss
- Senator Don Caruth
- Senator Jeff Kessler
- Senator Shirley Love
- Delegate Eustace Frederick
- Delegate Mike Caputo
- Delegate Bill Hamilton
- Task Force Members