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To: All West Virginia Underground Coal Mine Operators and
Independent Contractors Who Perform Work in WV Underground Coal Mines

From: Jim Dean, Acting Director

Date: July 10, 2006

Re: SCSR Inventory

As part of the June 9, 2006 Amended Rules the Office of Miners' Health Safety and Training will begin maintaining an inventory of Self-Contained Self-Rescuers (SCSRs) that are in-service. The objective of the inventory and reporting system is to provide the industry with an early warning system for SCSR problems. With each quarterly update you will be able to see what others are finding regarding failure modes for SCSRs by model. As patterns are identified we will be better able to identify what corrective actions are needed and implement them.

No later than August 15, 2006 all underground mine operators and independent contractors who perform any type of work or service in underground coal mines shall submit an inventory of all self-contained self-rescuers in-service using the excel template located on the Miners' Health Safety and Training web page www.wvminesafety.org (example attached).

From left to right the column headings and the contents of cells below the heading shall be:

State Mine/Contractor ID #: Current ID number issued by MHS&T

Make/Model of SCSR: CSE SR-100, Ocenco M-20, Ocenco EB-6.6, or Dräger OxyK

Serial Number: The manufacturer's serial number for the particular SCSR

Manufacture Date: The date indicated on the unit by the manufacturer

In-Service Date: The date the unit was issued by the mine or contractor to a miner or placed in a cache

Removal Date: The date the unit was removed from service

Removal Reason: Missing (stolen/lost) or Used or failed (complete appropriate field) or expired (reached end-of-life date) or reassigned (list individual in comment field)

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Inspection Date: The date the SCSR was inspected during the reporting period

Inspector Name: Name of certified person inspecting the SCSR

Inspector Certification #: The WV certification number of the inspector

Location Assigned: Carried or cached

Location Number: The cache location number corresponding to the mine map

Seals Intact: Results of manufacturer's required inspection – yes or no

All parts Intact: Results of manufacturer's required inspection – yes or no

Indicators Pass: Results of manufacturer's required inspection – yes or no

Physical Shape Pass: Results of manufacturer's required inspection – yes or no

Shake/Noise Test Pass: Results of manufacturer's required inspection – yes or no

Unit Pass: Passed all manufacturer's required tests

Comment: Description of observation that caused failure or to whom the SCSR was reassigned

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Attachment