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TO: West Virginia Mining Operations
FROM: Ronald L. Wooten, Director 
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RE: Self-Contained Self-Rescuers Cache Plans

Self-contained self rescuers (SCSRs) are an integral element of ensuring the escape of miners following a fire or explosion. West Virginia Code §54-4 required submission of SCSR cache plans which were reviewed and approved by this agency. The delivery dates indicated on purchase orders for SCSR cache plans constitute the enforceable schedule for implementation. Modifications to the SCSR cache plans including the schedule require approval.

Permit holders should track delivery dates with your suppliers against approved SCSR cache plans and if delays are anticipated all options should be exhausted for meeting approved implementation schedules. Submissions for modification of SCSR cache plans due to delays in delivery will no longer be grounds for extension of enforceable implementation dates.

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cc: MHST Regional Offices