TO:           All 80 Hour Apprentice Miner Safety Instructors
FROM:        William A. Tucker, Inspector-at-Large, Region 2
DATE:         February 17, 2010
SUBJECT:     80 HOUR APPRENTICE MINER PROGRAM

A new 80 Hour Apprentice Miner Program has been approved by the Board of Miner Training, Education and Certification. Beginning April 1, 2010, this new training program must be used. We have also developed a virtual reality training video that should prove to be very beneficial. Training will be provided so that you can effectively utilize this valuable training aid.

Below is a schedule of the meetings to be held to distribute the new training material and discuss the requirements for teaching the 40 and 80 Hour Apprentice Miner Programs. You must come to one of our regional offices to obtain this material prior to teaching the 80 Hour course as of April 1, 2010.

- **Danville Region** - March 8th, 9:00 a.m., 137 Peach Court, Suite 2, Danville, WV 25053
- **Oak Hill Region** - March 9th, 9:00 a.m., 142 Industrial Drive, Oak Hill, WV 25901
- **Westover Region** - March 10th, 9:00 a.m., 14 Commerce Drive, Suite 101, Westover, WV 26501
- **Welch Region** - March 11th, 9:00 a.m., 891 Stewart Street, Welch, WV 24801

Please notify the regional office where you plan to attend this meeting.