



Compliance Review

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FOCUS: You will find several “Blue Highlighted” items within the Compliance Review provided by this office. If you are connected to the internet place your cursor on the blue area and CTRL + click to follow the link. **Metal/Nonmetal mines has recorded its first Fatal Injury for the year. The Preliminary Report indicates that on January 27, 2012 @ 1705 in the afternoon a 69 year old miner was seriously injured at an open pit mine located in Hagerstown Maryland. The Miner had over 48 years of mining experience. Please review with your employees.**

Preliminary Report

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TOP FIVE CITATIONS FOR THE MONTH: A Review of citations written in January by the Mesa Field Offices revealed the following standards are repeatedly being issued; Pay close attention to this list and continue to do proper *workplace exams*.

56.14107a	35%	Guarding
56.14100b	27%	Safety Defects affecting Safety
56.14132a	15%	Horns and Back up Alarms
56.12004	12%	Electrical Conductors
56.930	11%	Berms

INDUSTRY TRENDS: Today, January 31, 2012 MSHA is announcing the third phase of their fatality prevention program. “Rules to Live by III” Preventing Common Mining Deaths.” This is our next step toward reducing deaths and injuries in our nation’s mines. The following standards contributed to at least 5 deaths and were cited in at least 5 fatal accident investigations. In all these violations contributed to 47 deaths in MNM (1/1/01 – 12/31/10). 46.7(a) - New Task Training, 56.3130 - Wall, bank, and slope stability, 56.3200 - Correction of hazardous conditions, 56.14100(b) - Safety defects, examination, correction and records, 56.15020 - Life jackets and belts, 57.14100(b) - underground Safety defects, examination, correction and records. Learn more www.MSHA.gov

• **COMPLIANCE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:**

- [Go To Toolboxes](#) This is a series of weekly Toolbox talks that can be used by mine operators to hold safety and health discussions for their employees at their mining operations. They are easy to use and each lesson is complete with subjects, talking points, attendee roster and room for employee comments. Simply present, document and put in a 3 ring binder.
- On Line Filing, Did you know that you can file required papers on-line? Go to our web page www.MSHA.gov and look on the left side of the page. Scroll down to On-line tools and click on on-line filing/forms. If you need assistance please call our office and speak with Mario Madril, he would be happy to assist you.

Compliance Facts

It is unfortunate when a fatality occurs on mining property. Be prepared to insure that all of your *reporting requirements* are met. The Program informational Bulletin issued May 5, 2011 contains important information, a must read. [PIB11-35](#)

Mark Your Calendar

Spring Thaw has been scheduled for May 3rd
Information will be sent to you as we get closer to the event.
Check you annual training dates, organize your Refresher Training in *Advance*
Be prepared its closer than you think!!!