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Signed at Washington, DC, this 15th day of August 1997.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Mine Safety and Health Administration

[Docket No. M-97-88-C]

### Petition for Modification; Eastern Associated Coal Corporation

Eastern Associated Coal Corporation, P.O. Box 1233, Charleston, West Virginia 25324 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR

75.380(g) (escapeways; bituminous and lignite mines) to its Federal No. 2 Mine (I.D. No. 46-01456) located in Monogalia County, West Virginia. The petition is filed under section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977.

A summary of the petitioner's statements follows.

1. The petition concerns the requirement that the primary escapeway shall be separated from belt and trolley haulage entries for its entire length.

2. As an alternate method, petitioner proposes to change the longwall panel development to a three-entry system, using trolley wire in the same entry as the intake escapeway.

3. In support of this request, petitioner states:

(a) Air lock doors will be installed at the mouth of the section to separate the main track air from the section track air.

(b) The track entry inby the airlock doors will be ventilated using intake air that will be introduced at the mouth of the section. This entry will be used as the primary escapeway off the section to the airlock doors at which point it will become a separate intake escapeway again.

(c) The return entry on the section will be used as a secondary escapeway to the mouth of the section. While this entry is a section return, lifeline will be maintained.

(d) A person, with mine phone communication will be stationed at a location between airlock doors at all times when other employees are inby the airlock doors. This person will be able to disconnect DC power to the section inby the airlock doors immediately. DC power also will be disconnected when not in use.

(e) A parallel ground will be installed and maintained inby the airlock doors; trolley surveys will be conducted on a monthly basis; rail traffic entering the section inby the airlock doors will be provided additional firefighting materials; and trolley wire repair tools will be supplied.

(f) A 62-inch clearance between the track and trolley wire will be maintained inby the airlock. Double insulated bells will be used for installing trolley wire. CO monitors will be installed in the track at 1,000 foot intervals and automatic water sprays will be installed on the beltline.

(g) Visual and audible warning devices will be installed at the end of the supply track to alert miners when the trolley is energized. The audible device will be used only when the trolley is initially energized and will drop off in no less than five seconds after the power is established.

(h) If welding is necessary to bond track, the workers will be removed from inby the affected airsplit until welding is completed.

(i) The section attendant will be trained to open a belt insulation door which will reverse airflow on the belt in the inby direction, in the event that smoke enters the track entry inby the airlock doors, thus providing a separate and isolated intake split of air to the face.

(j) Section self-rescuers will be maintained in the belt entry, outby the section dumping point.

4. Petitioner states that the proposed alternate method will assure no less protection to the miners than under 30 CFR 75.380(g).

#### Request for Comments

Persons interested in this petition may furnish written comments. These comments must be filed with the Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Room 627, 4015 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22203. All comments must be postmarked or received in this office on or before September 22, 1997. Copies of this petition are available for inspection at that address.

Dated: August 18, 1997.

**Patricia W. Silvey,**

*Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Mine Safety and Health Administration

#### Petitions for Modification

The following parties have filed petitions to modify the application of mandatory safety standards under section 101(c) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977.

##### 1. Tanoma Mining Company

[Docket No. M-97-82-C]

Tanoma Mining Company, 1809 Chestnut Avenue, P.O. Box 25, Barnesboro, Pennsylvania 15714 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.1700 (oil and gas wells) to its Tanoma Mine (I.D. No. 36-06967) located in Indiana County, Pennsylvania. The petitioner proposes to plug and mine through oil and gas wells. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

##### 2. Eastern Associated Coal Corp.

[Docket No. M-97-83-C]

Eastern Associated Coal Corp., P.O. Box 1233, Charleston, West Virginia 25324 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.352 (return air courses) to its Harris No. 1/Rocklick Coal Handling Facility (I.D. No. 46-08610) located in Boone County, West Virginia. The petitioner proposes to develop a coal handling facility (tunnel) between two (2) existing preparation plants; Harris Preparation Plant, MSHA 46-03135, WVDEP 0-72-82, and the Rocklick Preparation Plant, MSHA 46-06448, WVDEP 0-5091-86. The coal handling facility would be developed by excavation of a coal seam 24-36 inches in thickness and by excavating 48-60 inches of rock, with the length of the tunnel at approximately 10,700 feet. The excavation would only be for a short term project, and the projected construction life twelve (12) to eighteen (18) months, with no coal removal other than the projected entries, which would serve only as a coal handling facility and not to produce coal. The petitioner proposes to mine with a two-entry system with the conveyor haulageway being located in the return air course as only one entry is required to facilitate the coal handling facility conveyor belt. The petitioner proposes to install a carbon monoxide monitoring system as an early warning fire detection system in the belt entry and primary escapeway of all two-entry development. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

##### 3. Turris Coal Company

[Docket No. M-97-84-C]

Turris Coal Company, P.O. Box 21, Elkhart, Illinois 62634 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.350 (air course and belt haulage entries) to its Elkhart Mine (I.D. No. 11-02664) located in Logan County, Illinois. The petitioner proposes to use intake air coming from belt haulage entries to ventilate workings. The petitioner proposes to install a carbon monoxide monitoring system as an early warning system along belt haulage entries. The petitioner asserts that its ability to meet regulatory volume and control requirements at the working face will be enhanced by the approval of this requested modification.

##### 4. H & H Enterprises, Inc.

[Docket No. M-97-85-C]

H & H Enterprises, Inc., P.O. Box 35, Brownsville, Pennsylvania 15417 has filed a petition to modify the

application of 30 CFR 75.1103-4 (automatic fire sensor and warning device system; installation; minimum requirements) to its Meadow Run Mine (I.D. No. 36-07987) located in Green County, Pennsylvania. The petitioner proposes to use a CO monitoring system instead of the existing point-type heat sensors. The petitioner proposes to install a low-level carbon monoxide detection system as an early warning fire detection system in all belt entries where the system identifies the belt flight; to locate the monitoring devices so that the air is monitored at each belt drive and tailpiece, and at intervals not to exceed 1,000 feet along each conveyor belt entry, except as provided in Item No. 1(c) and Item No. 10 of this petition; and to submit proposed revisions of its approved part 48 training plan to the District Manager that would include initial and refresher training regarding compliance with the conditions in the Proposed Decision and Order. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

##### 5. H & H Enterprises, Inc.

[Docket No. M-97-86-C]

H & H Enterprises, Inc., P.O. Box 35, Brownsville, Pennsylvania 15417 has filed a petition to modify the application of 30 CFR 75.350 (air courses and belt haulage entries) to its Meadow Run Mine (I.D. No. 36-07987) located in Green County, Pennsylvania. The petitioner proposes to use a CO monitoring system instead of the existing point-type heat sensors. The petitioner proposes to install a low-level carbon monoxide monitoring system as an early warning fire detection system in all belt entries where the system identifies the belt flight; to locate the monitoring devices so that the air is monitored at each belt drive and tailpiece, and at the intervals not to exceed 1,000 feet along each conveyor belt entry, except as provided in Item No. 1(c) and Item No. 10 of this petition; and to submit proposed revisions of its part 48 training plan to the District Manager that would include initial and refresher training regarding compliance with the conditions specified by the Proposed Decision and Order. The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method would provide at least the same measure of protection as would the mandatory standard.

#### Request for Comments

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