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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
OFFICE OF MINERS' HEALTH, SAFETY & TRAINING
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**APPLICATION/WAIVER OF TELEPHONE OR COMMUNICATION
FACILITIES "BACK-UP" COMMUNICATION SYSTEM
22A-2-42(C)**

1. Company: _____

Address: _____
Street or P.O. Box City State Zip

2. Mine Name or Number: _____

3. Location of Operation: _____

_____ _____ _____
County District Nearest Post Office

I hereby request a waiver from the Director of the West Virginia Office of Miners' Health, Safety & Training to permit the use of a Back-up System of Communication in the event the primary communication system malfunctions.

Explain in detail the Back-up Communication System and procedures, which will be followed if such communication waiver request is approved:

Signature and Title of Mine Official

Note: This waiver is issued subject to the conditions and limitations outlined on the reverse side.

This waiver is issued in accordance with Chapter 22A, Article 2, Section 42(c), Coal Mine Safety Laws of the State of West Virginia.

A WAIVER REQUEST IS GRANTED to utilize the approved back-up communication system if a malfunction occurs in the primary communication system; Provided, that repairs are started immediately and the primary communication system is restored to operating condition as soon as possible.

--If there is a malfunction in the primary communication system and the approved back-up communication system at the same time, the operator shall immediately remove all persons from the mine. Once the primary communication system or the back-up communication system is restored to operating condition, normal underground mining operations may resume.

--Any employee at such mine shall be permitted to examine the approved back-up communication system when being utilized, to the extent that such communication system is performing adequately.

--When a malfunction the primary communication system occurs and the approved back-up communication system is put in service, the operator shall notify the Inspector-at-Large or District Mine Inspector.