

Memorandum of Understanding

between

**The State of Ohio
Ohio Mine Examining Board**

and

**The State of West Virginia
Office of Miners' Health, Safety & Training**

RECIPROCITY OF MINE FOREMAN AND MINE ELECTRICIANS

I. Purpose

This memorandum of understanding establishes an agreement between the State of Ohio and the State of West Virginia concerning the reciprocity of coal mine foreman certifications and mine electricians.

II. Term, revision and termination

This MOU shall be effective when signed by both parties and may be modified in writing by mutual consent of both parties. This MOU may be terminated at any time by either party giving written notice to the other party at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of termination.

III. Responsibilities – Underground Mine Foreman

The State of West Virginia shall issue a corresponding foreman, shotfirer certification, and a West Virginia Miners Card to any individual who possess a valid mine foreman certification from the State of Ohio and who has completed the following:

- 1) Complete the mine foreman application including photograph.
- 2) Submit a copy of his/her Ohio mine foreman certification
- 3) Provide a non-refundable fee of \$35.00
- 4) Pass the mine laws component of the West Virginia mine foreman certification examination with a score of at least eighty (80) percent

The State of Ohio shall issue a corresponding certification to any individual who possess a valid mine foreman certification from the State of West Virginia and who has completed the following:

- 1) Submit a completed mine foreman application.
- 2) Submit a copy of his/her West Virginia Mine Foreman Certification
- 3) Submit a non-refundable fee of \$10.00
- 4) Pass the mine laws component of the Ohio mine foreman certification examination with a score of at least eighty (80) percent
- 5) Pass the test for Shotfirer unless applicant is a certified Shotfirer in West Virginia.

IV. Responsibilities – Electrician

The State of West Virginia will issue a corresponding mine electrician certificate to any individual who possess a valid electrical certification from the State of Ohio and who has completed the following:

- 1) Submit proof of current State and Federal Electrical certification and retraining by a certified instructor.
- 2) Submit a fee of \$10.00

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- 1) Submit proof of current State and Federal Electrical certification and retraining by a certified instructor.
- 2) Submit a fee of \$10.00

The State of Ohio and the State of West Virginia will verify Electrical certification with the Federal Qualifications and Certifications Branch in Denver, Colorado.

V. Responsibilities – Surface Mine Foreman - Coal

The State of West Virginia shall issue a corresponding foreman and miners certification to any individual who possess a valid strip mine foreman certification from the State of Ohio and who was completed the following:

- 1) Complete the mine foreman application including photograph
- 2) Submit a copy of his/her Ohio mine foreman certification
- 3) Provide a non-refundable fee of \$35.00
- 4) Pass the mine laws component of the West Virginia mine foreman certification examination with a score of at least eighty (80) percent

The State of Ohio shall issue a corresponding certification to any individual who possess a valid mine foreman certification from the State of West Virginia and who has completed the following:

- 1) Submit a completed mine foreman application.
- 2) Submit a copy of his/her West Virginia Mine Foreman Certification
- 3) Submit a non-refundable fee of \$10.00
- 4) Pass the mine laws component of the Ohio mine foreman certification examination with a score of at least eighty (80) percent

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