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To: Mine Owners, Operators or Contractors
From: Michael Flanagan, Director

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF PART 46 ANNUAL REFRESHER TRAINING

The Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have again renewed the MSHA Training Grant. Under this agreement, the MA Department of Labor Standards (DLS) will assist you in providing the federally mandated annual refresher training in worker safety and health. The training has been designed to meet the requirements of 30 CFR Part 46 training. To comply with requirements of Part 46, please ensure that the DLS is listed on your training plan as a training provider. Also, ensure that your plan lists this year's topics. To facilitate this, we have enclosed this list on the reverse with times for each subject. It can also be used by you for posting to inform your miners or their representatives (as indicated in the enclosed regulation, 30 CFR 46.3 - Training Plans)

DLS will provide 7.5 hours of refresher training. It will not include changes at individual mines; this part of the training is the responsibility of each mine operator. Certificates will be issued upon completion of the training. DLS can also support your in-house training efforts by supplying a DLS trainer to come and participate in your mine safety training event. Contact us at the phone number listed below to coordinate this

The enclosed schedule provides class date and location information. **Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic DLS cannot overbook space. Anyone that is unregistered that shows up will be turned away if there are no seats available. Participants will have to bring a face covering, pen, and notepad.**

DLS will advise you if there are any changes in scheduling. Sign up early – space is limited. DLS will confirm attendance. *If possible, please carpool, as parking may be limited.*

Please inform any contractors you work with (e.g., electricians, local highway crews, haulers) of these trainings so as many workers as possible can receive the training. Feel free to forward this information to anyone who may benefit from attending this training or from a DLS trainer to support their in-house training efforts.

DLS is also offering assistance to mine operators with their written safety and health programs. If you would like any of your mine's written programs reviewed with suggestions for improvements, you may bring copies to training or send copies to the address below. Written programs will be reviewed separately from training and comments sent to the mine operator.

Please complete the enclosed registration form, and ensure that all requested information is provided, or registration will be delayed until we can obtain this information. Fax, e-mail or send the enclosed registration form no later than December 22, 2021.