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HIGHLIGHT

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Mine Rescue

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I am ________________, Superintendent of the Ridgeview Coal Company WolfPack mine. Thank you for responding to our emergency.

Yesterday a 4-person crew entered the mine to perform cleanup work. When the outside person had not heard from them in a while, she tried to communicate with them and was not able to make contact. All Agencies have been contacted and are present. Previous mine rescue teams have established a fresh air base. The fresh air has been established at cross cut 88 under a set of overcasts. The previous team encountered a person in unsafe roof out by cross cut 88 in the #2 entry but did not have means to reach this person.

The air in the mines is coming under the overcast at cross cut 88 by a blowing fan that cannot be stopped, or reversed. All entries out by cross cut 88 are safe to ventilate through.
PROBLEM

- REPORT NAMES TO COMMAND CENTER BEFORE LEAVING TEAM STOP.
- FAN CAN NOT BE STOPPED OR REVERSED
- ACCOUNT FOR ALL MISSING MINERS
- THERE IS A 70 MINUTE TIME LIMIT AND YOU WILL RECEIVE A 10 MINUTE WARNING