Kentucky Agency Contest Written Information

Thank you for coming to our call for help. Last night on owl shift we had 3 employees in the Kentucky #2 mine working to clean up around the recently cut through #3 entry to the Kentucky #1 mine. The 3 employees in the Kentucky #2 mine was scheduled to call out their progress at 7:00am this morning. The communication person reported the crew missed the scheduled call out. Attempts to contact the them failed. The Mine Foreman went into the mine to try to contact the missing miners, but found disruptions in ventilation. Mine rescue teams were sent into both the Kentucky #1 and #2 mines. Teams traveling the Kentucky #1 mine, found no sign of the missing employees. They also reported that no explosive gases or equipment was found in the old mine. They traveled to the cut through of the #2 mine, entered the Kentucky #2 mine, but had to return to the surface due to an apparatus failure. The team traveling the Kentucky #2 mine traveled to the #47 crosscut and established a fresh air base. The Kentucky #2 mine was ventilated by an exhaust fan on the surface. However when inspected the fan was found to be damaged. The fan is being worked on but parts have not arrived to fix the fan. The Kentucky #2 mine also has an air shaft located in the #3 entry at #50 cross cut. The shaft has a blowing fan on top that can be started if needed. The mine has a history of methane, water, and bad roof.

All State and Federal agencies have been notified and are on site. Several mine rescue teams are also here to act as backup.

This is all the information I have at this time. Thanks and good luck.

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- Explore the entire mine that can be done safely
- Account for all missing miners
- Bring all survivors to the fresh air base
- The blowing fan on top of the air shaft once started cannot be stopped stalled or reversed
- (Once the fan on top of the shaft is started) Teams requesting the fan to be to be stopped or reversed will be discounted and the fan will continue to run.

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