

## **Notice Regarding Voided Samples from February through March 2016**

You may receive notification that your Part 70 respirable dust samples collected during February and March 2016 are being voided as excess samples (EXC) due to MSHA computer system changes to accommodate Phase II sampling requirements. During this period, operators are not required to conduct additional sampling for the voided samples with the EXC code. Rather, MSHA will evaluate these samples to determine if follow-up action is necessary. Under the final rule, the operators' Part 70 quarterly sampling period begins on April 1, 2016. MSHA inspector samples, operator samples taken for abatement, and operator Part 71 and Part 90 samples are not affected and will continue to be processed.