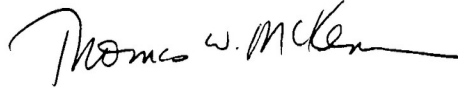


TO: Tim McAdams  
Project Director

May 4, 2006

FROM: Thomas W. McKenna  
Chairman, Institutional Review Board



SUBJECT: Review of Questionnaire for Federally Funded Studies  
**National Survey of Mining Population, Phases II – V**  
Project 7821.02

As Chairman of the Westat Institutional Review Board (IRB), I have reviewed the Questionnaire for Federally Funded Studies for the following: **National Survey of Mining Population, Phases II – V**, Project 7821.02.

Based on the information provided, the project does not require review by the Westat IRB because the project does not involve research on human subjects as defined in 45 CFR 46.101(b)(2).

If activities change, please contact the IRB Office to ensure that the status is accurately reflected in our records.

Thank you.

Cc: Institutional Review Board  
Carol Haines

