

**Note to Reviewers:**

We have made four changes to the CM-921, adding one item that changes the numbering of subsequent fields. The **first** change is to require the insurance carrier that completes the CM-921 to enter the mine operator's Federal Employer Identification Number (EIN) of the front side of the card. This will be item number 2.

We are adding the EIN because it is already known to the insurance carrier as it is shown on the policy itself or on the employer's application for coverage to the insurance carrier, and because it will significantly enhance the proper identification of the named insured. Many thousands of coal operators have been insured and identified since Black Lung Benefits Act required insurance coverage, and many small coal company names are similar. By matching policies to the named insured and using the EIN to verify that the proper company has been covered, the Department of Labor will be able to reduce the chance of misidentification.

Item number 3 will be: "Address (include street, City, County, State, Zip Code)"

Item number 4 (formerly Item #3) will be "Policy Number." Item number 5 (formerly Item 4) will be "Policy Dates." Item number 6 (formerly Item 5) will be "Coverage is provided for operations in the following states." Numbers 7-9 (formerly Items 6-8) will be the insurance carrier, its address, and its phone number. Number 10 (formerly Item 9) will be "Authorized Signature for Carrier."

The **second** change is to the top item on the reverse side of the card:

Change: Indicate below the name and location of the insured mine(s)

to:

**Indicate below the name and location of the insured mine(s) and subsidiary(ies).**

Many coal mine operators have subsidiary companies and mine sites, often operating under different names. A coal miner or survivor, filing a claim long after the miner's last employment with a company, may remember the mine name but not the company's name. Because these subsidiaries are already included in the policy issued by the insurance carrier, obtaining and reporting this information would require little additional burden on the carriers. The CM-921 has always required the listing of mine sites; this change expands that requirement to include subsidiaries.

The **third** change is to alter NAME OF MINE to:

**NAME AND LOCATION OF MINE**

