Attachment 22 –

NCWAS Autopsy Checklist

**NATIONAL COAL WORKERS’ AUTOPSY STUDY (NCWAS)**

**Checklist**

The following items must be complete to insure payment for services and for the autopsy to be included in the NCWAS database.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Death must have occurred on or after May 14, 1971.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Case must be received within 180 days of autopsy.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Deceased must have worked in an underground mine.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Must include the following articles:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3 blocks of lung tissue

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3 stained slides of lung tissue

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ completed and signed Consent, Release, and History

 Form (CDC/NIOSH 2.6)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number (optional)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signed invoice with statement “No other form of compensation

 has been received.”

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Autopsy protocol must include:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ heart and lung description and weights

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ heart valve measurements

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ heart ventricular measurements

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pathological diagnosis

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ cause of death (optional on partial autopsies)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ clinical summary

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ microscopic examination

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ age, height, and weight

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Radiograph (PA) and interpretation made within 5 years

 prior to death (optional)