

Representative of Miners Designation Form

U.S. Department of Labor
Mine Safety and Health Administration

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Purpose: 30 CFR 40.3 authorizes a written declaration of any person or organization which represents two or more miners at a coal or other mine.

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Instructions for this form contain further information on the need and use of this form. A false or representation is punishable under Section 110(a) and (f) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act, as amended (30 U.S.C. §820 (a) and (f)).

Item 1: ☐ Initial Filing ☐ Update ☐ Unknown

Item 2: ☐ Confidential

Item 3: Designation Type: ☐ Individual ☐ Organization

Representative Name: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone (____) _____ Email: _____

Item 4: Mine Operator's or Contractor's Name _____

Mine Address _____

Mine MSHA ID No.: _____

Item 5: Scope of Designation: ☐ The person or position named as the representative of miners is the representative for all purposes of the Act.

☐ The representative's authority is limited to: ☐ 101 (c)
☐ 103 (c)
☐ Other _____

Item 6: Additional or Alternate Representatives: ☐

1. Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____
Telephone: (____) _____ Email: _____

2. Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____
Telephone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Item 7. Designated By: (Name of two or more miners who work at the mine)

1 – Name: _____ 2 – Name: _____

1 – Telephone: _____ 2 – Telephone: _____

I certify that I have been designated as representative by at least two miners who work at the mine. I certify that all information being filed is true and correct. A copy of this form has been delivered to the mine operator of the affected mine prior to or concurrently to the filing of this statement.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Instructions for Completing MSHA Form 2000-238

This form is a written declaration of any person or organization which represents two or more miners at a coal or other mine for the purposes of the Act. The use of this form is voluntary in complying with 30 C.F.R. § 40.3.

Item 1. Type of filing.

Check the box "initial filing" if a mine operator has not had a miners' representative designated under 30 C.F.R. Part 40 or the appropriate information under Part 40 was not submitted to MSHA. For all other filings with MSHA concerning a miners' representative designation, check the "Updates" box. If the miners' representative is uncertain about the type of filing, check the box "Unknown." This box should be used sparingly.

Item 2. Confidential Designation.

This item is completed only if the two miners who are designating the individual or entity as their miners' representative want their identities to remain confidential, i.e., an anonymous designation. Check the box if the miners want a confidential designation.

Item 3. Designation. (REQUIRED).

This item must be completed. Provide the name and other information identified in Item 3 for the individual or the organization (and the title of the position of the representative in the organization) that the two miners have designated under Part 40.

Item 4. Mine Operator's or Contractor's Name and ID. (REQUIRED).

The name of the mine operator or contractor is required to identify the mine that the miners have designated this representative for the purposes provided in the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act). The MSHA assigned Mine ID or Contractor ID number must be filled in to verify that MSHA has the correct mine for this representative.

Item 5. Scope of Designation.

Miners' representative may serve for all or selected purposes under the Mine Act. Check the appropriate box for the miners' representative designated in Item 3. If the section of the Mine Act is not identified, check the "other" box and fill in the information provided on the form.

Item 6. Additional or Alternate Representatives.

Check the box if you are providing any additional or alternate representatives. If you are providing more than two, you may print out this form and add as many representatives on a supplemental page and mail the form to the appropriate Coal or Metal and Nonmetal Safety and Health District Manager.

Item 7. Designated By. (REQUIRED).

Item 7 is required to be completed. If Item 2 is checked, then the information in Item 7 will be kept confidential.

Privacy Act Statement

30 C.F.R. § 40.3 authorizes the collection of this information. This information will be used by MSHA inspectors to contact the miners' representative once the inspector is at the mine before conducting an inspection. This information also permits MSHA to verify that miners' representative was designated by two miners who work at the mine. This is very important for confidential or anonymous designations. Section 103(f) and (g) of the Mine Act, (30 U.S.C. § 813(f) and (g)) and 43 FR 29508, 29509 submission of the items identified in the instructions as required is mandatory and failure to submit the required information may delay MSHA ability to verify the designation of the miners' representative and delay the miners' representative participating in inspection activities at the mine.