

# **Atlantic Alliance Meeting**

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## **MSHA Alliance with the Association of Equipment Manufacturers**

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# MINM Fatalities Since 2001

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Powered Haulage	16	15	6	7	16	7
Machinery	2	15	8	6	10	4
Electrical	1	2	2	1	2	5
Fall of Material / Highwall	0	3	3	5	3	6
Fall of Roof / Back	4	0	0	0	0	0
Slip / Fall of Person	4	2	3	6	3	3
Other	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
Totals	30	42	26	27	35	25





MSHA Assistant Secretary Richard Stickler and Association of Equipment Manufacturers President Dennis Slater sign national alliance on January 23, 2007.



**AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING AN ALLIANCE  
BETWEEN  
THE MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
AND  
THE ASSOCIATION OF EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURERS**

**MSHA and AEM will work cooperatively through the Alliance to:**

Develop and disseminate training materials (e.g., DVD's, posters, stickers, fliers, etc.), and educational programs to maintain and operate equipment in a safe and healthful manner.

- Develop and disseminate best practices to operate and maintain equipment in a safe and healthful manner.
- Distribute information to the mining community on the recognition and prevention of equipment hazards through current technology print and electronic media (including MSHA and AEM web sites) and develop new ways to effectively convey hazard warnings and messages (including the use of consistent, recognized safety sign pictorials).
- Develop a centralized compendium of mining equipment safety materials, bulletins, advisories, DVD's, manuals, etc. for use by the mining community.
- Encourage equipment operators and maintenance personnel to become members of MSHA's Professional Miners Program. This program provides opportunities for miners to continue developing their health and safety skills. Members of the Program will receive recognition for this continued development. Selected training courses and modules will be recommended for those miners who want to keep current with safety and health best practices.
- Speak, exhibit, or appear at MSHA or AEM conferences, other industry conferences, or local meetings attended by equipment operators, maintenance personnel and mine operators to promote the safe use and maintenance of mining equipment.
- Convene and participate in forums, round-table discussions or stakeholder meetings on equipment hazards mitigation to help forge innovative solutions.
- Participate in programs, short courses or activities offered by MSHA at the National Mine Health and Safety Academy in Beckley, WV or other MSHA facilities and/or by AEM at member training facilities and proving grounds.
- Review final accident reports which have been published and accident data that involve equipment within AEM's scope and develop solutions to identified equipment safety and health concerns.









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