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This edition represents the 121 consecutive Annual Report concerning Anthracite and Bituminous Coal Mining Activities.



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The Honorable Arthur A. Davis, Secretary
Department of Environmental Resources
P.O. Box 2063
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Dear Secretary Davis:

As required by the Anthracite and Bituminous Coal Mine Acts, I herein submit the annual report on the activities of the Commonwealth's underground mining operations for 1990.

This is the 121st consecutive annual report concerning the anthracite and bituminous coal mining activities within the Commonwealth.

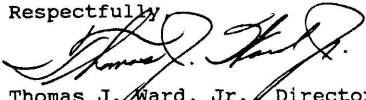
Anthracite deep production decreased in 1990 by about 71,523 tons. The industry accounted for 529,547 tons produced. Employment and operations decreased over the previous year, and employed about 453 deep miners in 87 operations. There were 125 non-fatal accidents, an increase, and one fatal accident as in the previous year.

In the bituminous coal region, deep mine production increased 609,570 tons (40,880,472) over 1989 with approximately 8,300 miners employed, an increase of 477. The number of deep mines operating was 88, an increase of two over the previous year. There was a decrease of non-fatal accidents, with 869 in 1990 compared to 903 in 1989. There were two fatal accidents in 1990, an increase of one over the previous year.

The bureau continues to train approximately 7,500 miners per year in mine safety techniques and prides itself on maintaining four first-rate mine rescue stations that are strategically located throughout the coal fields.

Please accept my thanks for your interest and cooperation extended to our program throughout the year.

Respectfully



Thomas J. Ward, Jr. Director
Bureau of Deep Mine Safety