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Subject: CM-913 OWCP
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Ms. Maruca,

Thank you for submitting your comments regarding form CM-913.

Number 5 pertains to the coal miner's last or current coal mine employment. All mining jobs are not the same, one example would be: some miners work above ground at the tipple loading coal into a truck, whereas some miners work underground operating machinery. Both jobs in this instance have different duties and may or may not require operating equipment all the time. Unfortunately, actual job descriptions do not exists in black lung claims. More than likely this is due to the era when most of our miners have worked.

Number 10 must be included on this form. It specifically pertains to non-coal mine employment. While some miners may not work after their coal mine employment, many do work in other areas of the work force. Having a description of a miner's job description of work not performed in the coal mines is necessary.

The purpose of this form is to compare the miner's coal mine employment to any non-coal mine employment, after leaving the mines.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,
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From: Becky Maruca [mailto:bmaruca@ovrh.org]
Sent: Monday, December 09, 2013 3:14 PM
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Subject: CM913 OWCP

Hello Ms. Ferguson:

I have a few suggestions to decrease the paperwork in the DOL CM 913 form.

On number 5, mining jobs are the same. I do not think it is necessary to describe the job duties. If there are job descriptions already written, there should not be many discrepancies on job duties. I feel just listing the last job is adequate.

On number 10, this could be just an amendment. Many miners do not work after their last

coal mining job. If a miner was employed after his mining job, this paper could be completed. If so, this form could be labelled CM 913a perhaps.

Thank you for allowing me to comment on this form.

Sincerely,

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