



Ohio Revised Code

Section 1563.13 Maintenance of means of egress from mine.

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When a deputy mine inspector considers that the ways and means of egress in any underground mine from the interior working places to the surface are inadequate as a safe and ready means of escape in case of emergency, from danger of fire at any point, or any other cause that may result in the entombment of persons working in the mine, the deputy mine inspector shall give notice in writing to the owner, lessee, or agent of the mine of the particular in which the deputy mine inspector considers the conditions dangerous, recommending any changes that the conditions require, and forthwith shall mail a copy of the deputy mine inspector's recommendations to the chief of the division of mineral resources management. Upon receipt of the recommendations, the chief forthwith shall make a finding concerning them and mail a copy to the operator of the mine and to the deputy mine inspector. A copy of the finding of the chief shall be posted upon the bulletin board at the time.

The operator of the mine, or the authorized representative of the workers of the mine, within ten days may appeal to the reclamation commission for a review and redetermination of the finding of the chief in the matter in accordance with section 1513.13 of the Revised Code, notwithstanding division (A)(1) of that section, which provides for appeals within thirty days. A copy of the decision of the commission shall be mailed as required by this section for the mailing of the finding by the chief on the deputy mine inspector's report.

No operator of a mine shall refuse or neglect to comply with this section.
