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1 POLICY

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2 PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to reduce to the exposure to potential injury through the use of saddle mount ATVs on company property.

3 POLICY REQUIREMENTS

Based upon the national accident experience related to the use of saddle mount four-wheelers all company operations must prohibit the use of these vehicles on mine property. Where the requirements of the job necessitate the use of an all terrain vehicle, ATVs should be utilized following the operating procedures and equipped with the safety features listed below. These standards will require acquisition of Utility Vehicles such as the John Deere Gator and units by other manufacturers with similar features.

4 STANDARDS

Personal Protective Equipment

- a** Helmet/Hard Hat – A hard hat complying with the most recent MSHA standard will be required. MSHA regulations do not permit helmets to act as a substitute for hard hats. Individuals operating the utility vehicle should utilize a hard hat with a chinstrap for this operation.
- b** Boots – Mine standard steel-toe metatarsal guard boots will be required
- c** Glasses/goggles/face shield – Mine standard safety glasses will be required
- d** Gloves – As required by mine standards

ATV Safety Features

- a** Factory Installed Roll Over Protection Required
- b** Seat belt(s) required
- c** Headlights and taillights required
- d** Hand controls not permitted
- e** Both front and rear brakes recommended except where circumstances show clearly that both are not required
- f** Buggy whip required
- g** Slow moving vehicle triangle required on rear

Operating Procedures

- a** No more than one person riding unless the vehicle is specifically designed for multiple riders and has seat belts for them
- b** Speed Limits of 25 miles per hour
- c** Road surfaces – Limited to OFF Road Use
- d** Training – Operation of the ATV will require task training and a 5000-23 form. Training Should Meet ASI Standards
- e** State Law Requirements – Copies of applicable state laws in which the company operates have been researched