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WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY (MINES AND PETROLEUM SITES) REGULATION 2022

Notice of requirements for non-metallic ventilation and belt conveyor components to be FRAS 2024

I, **Anthony Margetts**, Chief Inspector, with the delegated authority of the Secretary of the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, makes this notice pursuant to section 90(2) of the Work Health and Safety (Mines and Petroleum Sites) Regulation 2022 (the Regulation).

Dated this 24th day of June 2024

Anthony Margetts
Chief Inspector
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development

1. Name of Notice

This notice is the Notice of requirements for non-metallic ventilation and belt conveyor components to be FRAS 2024.

2. Commencement

This notice commences on the day it is published in the NSW Government Gazette.

3. Interpretation

In this notice:

Belt conveyor accessories means accessories typically in contact with the conveyor belt which are in small quantities. Examples include scraper blades, ploughs, skirt rubbers, slider impact bars, pulley lagging, component parts of belt tracking systems, belt splicing kits and belt repair kits.

Ventilation components means ventilation appliances and accessories (such as venturi blowers and auxiliary fans), ventilation sheet (including brattice), ventilation ducting (both rigid and flexible) and ventilation ducting joining bands.

4. Revocation

The notice FIRE RESISTANT ANTI-STATIC MATERIAL FOR USE IN UNDERGROUND COAL MINES AND RECLAIM TUNNELS IN COAL MINES NOTICE published in the NSW Government Gazette No. 6 of 13 January 2023 is revoked.

5. The applicable items of plant

This notice applies to the following items of plant:

a) The non-metallic parts of ventilation components of a ventilation system of an underground coal mine, and

b) The non-metallic parts of belt conveyor accessories used at an underground coal mine or in a reclaim tunnel at a coal mine.

6. Testing and certification requirements

Testing and certification requirements for non-metallic ventilation components and belt conveyor accessories are set out in schedule 1. Schedule 1 includes the sections of TRG 3608 Technical reference guide – *Non-metallic materials for use in underground coal mines and reclaim tunnels in coal mines* dated July 2024 published by the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development on the NSW Resources Regulator website.

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