



February 18, 2015

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am proud to invite you to the **10th Annual Southeast Mine Safety and Health Conference**, hosted by many of your peers who volunteer to make this a premier event. Each year we have all partnered to make the conference grow. The **"take-aways"** in safety and health help us prevent serious injuries and fatalities.

Located at the Ross Bridge Conference Center in Birmingham, Alabama, **November 4-6, 2015** the conference hosts speakers providing valuable safety and health information. There is also a **pre-conference** on November 3 with special topics in industrial hygiene, leadership, and maintenance/contractor safety.

Mr. Joe Main, Assistant Secretary of Labor for MSHA along with Ms. Patricia Silvey, Deputy Assistant Secretary for MSHA, Mr. Neal Merrifield, Administrator, Metal Nonmetal and other leaders of MSHA Headquarters' Division speak at this event to support your efforts. During this conference you may also schedule a meeting with me to discuss any mining safety and health concerns you may have at your site.

For 2015 John O'Leary will lead us in motivational ideas, as well as Tony Crowe, who will bring home a safety message to each of us. Breakout sessions with many notable speakers will provide industry updates in safety and health addressing topics in equipment safety, hearing conservation, explosives, and more.

Come show your support for mining safely and staying healthy! Thanks to your efforts the conference successfully sponsors a Charity Event for Kid's Chance, provider of scholarships for fatality victim's children. Also, miners who have worked for 40 years or longer without an MSHA recordable injury are recognized.

Don't delay, register now @ www.southeastmineconf.org. Bring your managers and miners.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sam Pierce".

Samuel K. Pierce,

MSHA SE District Manager