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MEMORANDUM

TO: DNR Staff, for dissemination

FROM: Rebecca Goodman, Secretary, Energy and Environment Cabinet

DATE: May 4, 2020

Re: COVID-19, State of Emergency, Extension of Miner Training Deadlines

As a result of the current COVID-19 emergency and under the authority delegated to me pursuant to KRS Chapter 39A and the Governor's Executive Orders, including Executive Orders 2020-243 and 2020-257, having been duly advised by the staff of the Department for Natural Resources and Division of Mine Safety, I am implementing the following provisions in order to accommodate life sustaining services during the emergency.

The Kentucky Division of Mine Safety has postponed upcoming miner training programs, an action which could impact the ability of Surface Miners, Underground Miners, Mine Foremen, and Mine Emergency Technicians to obtain the required annual, hourly training. Therefore, I am directing the following:

- The effective date of training for all surface and underground miners whose annual training record would expire on or after March 1, 2020 and before August 1, 2020, shall be and is hereby extended for a period of 120 days subsequent to the current date of expiration for the purpose of generally continuing training obligations by four months;
- All Mine Emergency Technician certifications set to expire on or after March 1, 2020 and before August 1, 2020, shall be and are hereby extended for a period of 120 days subsequent to the certification's current expiration date.

Sincerely,

Rebecca W. Goodman
Secretary