

Joseph W. Pavlovich

Senior Safety Consultant

Summary of Expertise

Thirty-four years of experience in underground and surface coal mine safety and health; served as Safety Director for two large mining companies and Safety and Health Inspector, Supervisor and Manager with MSHA throughout most of the U.S.; managed mine rescue contests for 25 years, including five with the U.S. National Coal Contest; performed duties in all areas of mine safety including establishment of safety programs, managing and coordinating inspection programs, developing and implementing compliance assistance programs, and establishing safety training programs

Experience

Safety Solutions International, Inc.: 2007 – Present

Partnership for Energy and Environmental Reform: Present

Vice President

- This company is a contractor for DOL-International Labor Affairs Bureau, and is presently involved in introducing mine safety practices and procedures into the coal mining industry of Ukraine; major duties include working with the U.S. and Ukrainian Government officials and Ukrainian mining officials in determining safety needs of the Ukrainian coal industry, and appropriating government grants to facilitate such needed programs; current programs involve improvements in ventilation, horizontal de-gasification of coal seams, introduction of roof bolting practices, and proposed uses for methane extraction; part-time position involving approximately 10 days per month

Mine Safety and Health Administration: 1993 – 2004

District Manager

- Managed all activities for a district employing over 130 people, with responsibility for inspection and other activities at 120 underground mines, 150 surface mines and 50 preparation plants; in addition to regular inspections, responsible for all mining plan approvals, accident investigations, special investigations, compliance assistance programs and special emphasis programs for accident reduction; geographic area covered southwestern Kentucky and Tennessee

Mine Safety and Health Administration: 1989 – 1993
Sub-District Manager

Mine Safety and Health Administration: 1987 – 1989
Field Office Supervisor

Mine Safety and Health Administration: 1984 – 1987
Staff Assistant to the Sub-District Manager

Mine Safety and Health Administration: 1978 – 1984
Coal Mine Health and Safety Inspector

Allied Chemical Corporation: 1977 – 1978
Safety Director

United Pocahontas Coal Company: 1975 – 1977
Safety Director

U.S. Bureau of Mines: 1971 – 1975
Coal Mine Health and Safety Inspector

Foreign Experience

Ukraine: Served as MSHA's Coordinator of Mine Safety and Health programs for five years; significant efforts included: presentations and training concerning U.S. mine safety regulations, penalties and inspection procedures, to which Ukraine revamped its regulations and inspection procedures similar to that of the U.S.; coordinated and provided instruction and evaluation on the introduction of a rock dusting program in Ukrainian mines resulting in the construction of its own rock dusting machines and promoting rock dusting in its underground coal mines; projects involved a ventilation improvement program and a horizontal degasification project which included various stages of development; Ukraine has experienced a significant decrease in mining fatalities

Russia: In 1999 and 2000, served as MSHA's Coordinator for Mine Safety; significant efforts included training in mine inspection activities and training in accident awareness programs

Indonesia
China

Education Registration and Certificates

Business Management, Point Park College
Certified Mine Foreman in the states of West Virginia and
Oklahoma
Certified instructor in all areas of mine safety training

Secretary of Labor Exceptional Achievement Award on three separate occasions for: participation in the JWR #3 Mine Fire in 1986; directing the first International Mine Rescue Contest in 1999; and directing MSHA's involvement in the Ukrainian Rock Dusting Program in 2003

Organizations

Co-Director of MSHA National Coal Mine Rescue Contest, 1995 – 2003
Chairman of MSHA's Internal Review of Martin County Coal Impoundment breakthrough
MSHA representative of DOL Regional Executive Committee, Region IV—Atlanta
Director of MSHA's participation to International Mine Rescue Conference in Poland and South Africa
Director of mine rescue contests in Birmingham, Alabama, Price, Utah, Laramie, Wyoming and Trinidad, Colorado
National Mine Rescue Association
Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association

Presentations and Papers

Numerous presentations made in Ukraine and Russia pertaining to mine safety; presentations concerning mine rescue made at the International Mine Rescue Conference in Poland (1999) and South Africa (2003); truck safety inspection program presented at the Mine Safety and Health Conference in Salt Lake City (2004); presentations on mine safety given on an annual basis to the Kentucky Mining Association from 1994-2002 and to the Institute of Kentucky Mining Engineers from 1997 - 2001