ASSISTANT INSPECTOR-AT-LARGE

Nature of Work
Under general supervision, performs experienced journey level work supervising and directing the execution and enforcement of West Virginia Coal Mine Safety Laws. Meets with coal company officers and UMWA officials to hear and resolve complaints. Performs related work as required.

Examples of Work
- Inspects surface and quarry mines for compliance with state health and safety laws; inspects equipment for proper use and safe operating condition.
- Supervises the work of the Surface Mine Inspectors and office support staff; reviews the reports of the inspectors, sets amounts of assessments for violations found at the mine sites.
- Administers surface miner examinations to provide miners with cards.
- Meets with coal company officers and UMWA officials to hear complaints and solve problems about mines.
- Travels to job sites to help inspectors with problems relating to laws.
- Trains new inspectors to perform their duties.
- Checks permit and waiver applications; supervises the investigation of serious and fatal accidents.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities
- Knowledge of West Virginia Mine Health and Safety laws and regulations.
- Knowledge of surface mining and equipment functions and repairs.
- Knowledge of mine water drainage, mine gasses and safe mining practices.
- Skill in oral and written communications.
- Ability to review reports and logs pertaining to violations found during inspections.
- Ability to give surface mine inspector examinations.
- Ability to relate to mine company officials, UMWA officials and employees to establish and maintain effective work relationships.
- Ability to read and understand mine maps.
- Ability to train and supervise mine inspectors.
- Ability to use mine safety equipment and administer first aid.
Minimum Qualifications

TRAINING  Graduation from a four-year high school or the equivalent.

EXPERIENCE  Six years of full-time or equivalent part-time paid employment as an underground miner plus one year as a district inspector.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS  West Virginia driver's license and Miner's Certificate.