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Interim Policy Memorandum

To: Assistant Directors
Regional Directors
Staff Office Heads

From: Sharon Buccino
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Subject: Update to OSMRE Policy-Issuing Authority

This memorandum updates the Bureau's policy on signature authority for OSMRE directives, as set forth in OSMRE Directive OPM-1, *Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement Directives and Standard Operating Procedures System*. It also updates the Bureau's policy on signature authority for documents that set or interpret OSMRE policy, as set forth in OSMRE Directive OPM-5, *Delegations of Authority*.

Effective immediately, the OSMRE Director, person acting with authority of the OSMRE Director, or the OSMRE Deputy Director have signature authority for OSMRE policy in the form of directives, memoranda, or other agency policy setting or policy interpreting correspondence.

All other provisions of OPM-1 and OPM-5 remain unchanged and in effect. The Deputy Director shall consult with the Director, or individual acting with the authority of the Director, on all policy actions representing the potential for significant interest or inquiry from public or private entities outside of OSMRE.

The interim policy changes established by this memorandum will be incorporated into OSMRE Directives OPM-1 and OPM-5 as soon as practicable.

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