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REPORTERS NOTE:

A Press Conference to coincide with the filing of Tonya R. Wilt, et al. v. George R. Beener, et al. will take place in the Courtyard in front of the Allegany County Circuit Court, 30 Washington Street, Cumberland, Maryland 21502 (Washington Street side) on Thursday, April 15, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. In attendance will be Tonya Wilt, wife of Michael Wilt and also Nicole Hare and Anna Wilt, daughters of Michael Wilt. Also in attendance will be representatives of Azrael, Gann & Franz, LLP, the law firm representing the Wilt family.

A press kit, including a copy of the lawsuit, copies of citations issued to Tri-Star Mining, Inc. for safety violations, copies of the Settlement Agreement between Tri-Star Mining, Inc. and the U.S. Department of Labor acknowledging the mine operator's "unwarrantable failures and high negligence" and consent to a penalty of \$105,000, as well as photos of the mining operation and of Michael Wilt will be provided at the Press Conference.

If you cannot attend and would like a copy of the lawsuit, please contact Mary Hilton at Azrael, Gann & Franz, LLP at 410-821-6800 mhilton@agflaw.com and a copy can be provided after 10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 15, 2010.