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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

 RYAN JOHN T III

 (Last)   (First)   (Middle)

 121 GAMMA DRIVE
 RIDC INDUSTRIAL PARK

 (Street)

 PITTSBURGH   PA   15238

 (City)   (State)   (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
 MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO [MSA]

 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/16/2011

 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

 X   Director   X   10% Owner
 X   Officer (give title below)   Other (specify below)
 Chairman

 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 X   Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock, no par value	05/16/2011		A		1,386	A	$0.0000	1,121,344	D	
Common Stock, no par value								354,731	I	By Wife[1]
Common Stock, no par value								159,638	I	By Wife as Trustee[2]
Common Stock, no par value								2,325,463	I	Co-Trustee[3]

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non-statutory Stock Option	$37.33	05/16/2011		A		2,969		05/16/2014	05/16/2021	Common Stock, no par value	2,969	$37.33	2,969	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. I disclaim beneficial ownership of these shares.

2. Shares held in trusts of which I am not a trustee and in which members of my immediate family are beneficiaries. I disclaim beneficial ownership of these shares.

3. Shares held in trusts of which I am a trustee and in which I and members of my immediate family are among the beneficiaries.

Douglas K. McClaine, Attorney in Fact	05/18/2011
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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