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# FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940					
	ddress of Reporting F	Person*	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO</u> [ MSA ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
<u>CEDERNA JAMES A</u>			[	X	Director	10% Owner		
(Last) 121 GAMM			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2011		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
RIDC INDUSTRIAL PARK			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable			
(Street)				X	Form filed by One Re	porting Person		
PITTSBUR	ITTSBURGH PA 15238				Form filed by More the Person	an One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

#### 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)			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(mour 4)
Common Stock, no par value	05/16/2011		Α		1,386	Α	\$0.0000	27,849	D	

#### 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. Transa Code ( 8)		of		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:

### 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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