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The Honorable Arthur Elkins, Jr.
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Dear Inspector General Elkins:

I am writing regarding your investigation into potential criminal misconduct or administrative misconduct relating to the 2015 Gold King Mine spill.

I understand that the OIG will issue a Report on Investigation (ROI) on this matter in the near future. Of particular interest to me is any OIG findings of potential criminal or administrative misconduct by EPA employees under 18 U.S.C. 1001 (false statements) that have been referred to the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) or the EPA. I understand that DOJ has declined to take action on OIG's findings and that EPA has not yet responded.

I would like to review those findings along with the Department's response. Therefore, I respectfully request a copy of the finalized ROI and documentation and the formal communication between OIG and DOJ/EPA on potential findings of criminal or administrative misconduct.

Sincerely,

John McCain

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United States Senator

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