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## MEMORANDUM

To: Jacob Ritzenthaler, Regulatory Policy Advocate  
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From: David M. Crow, Chief  
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Date: September 3, 2021

Subject: CSI Review – 2021 Industrial Mineral (IM) Outdated Communication Rules

Thank you for your thorough review and analysis of the Division of Mineral Resources Management's (DMRM's) 2021 Industrial Mineral (IM) Outdated Communication rules. The Common Sense Initiative (CSI) review memorandum states that this rule is amended to allow electronic signatures on any application or form that requires a permittee's signature when filing for an industrial mineral surface mining permit.

There are comments contained in the CSI review that need to be clarified:

- The rule package was a result of research conducted for CSI identifying instances where outdated modes of communication are required by the Ohio Administrative Code. The rule package was not a result of the statutory five-year review process.

CSI has no recommendations on this rules package. CSI concluded that the Ohio Department of Natural Resources should proceed with filing the rules with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review.

DMRM intends to now move forward with the original filing of these rules with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review. If you have any questions, please contact Ginger Lehman at 740-630-6215 or Brian Becker at 614-265-6861.

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