

Peabody Energy's Twentymile Mine has earned the President's Award for achieving the company's safest U.S. performance for underground operations in 2013

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ST. LOUIS, March 26 – Peabody Energy has announced that its Twentymile Mine in Colorado has earned the President's Award for achieving the company's safest U.S. performance for underground operations in 2013. Twentymile achieved a safety record of 1.26 for 2013 with over one million hours worked during the year and is being honored for a second consecutive year. Employees at Twentymile helped drive the best safety results in Peabody's 131-year history.

Twentymile has received the President's Award for Safety four times in the last ten years and holds the record for winning the award amongst Peabody's underground mines. Previous recognition came for the best underground safety performance in 2005, 2010 and 2012.

"Twentymile shows an excellent example of a long-term commitment to excellence in safety," said Peabody Energy – Americas President Kemal Williamson. "To achieve results of this caliber two years in a row, our employees must focus on safety each and every day. I am very proud of their achievement and commitment to safety."

Strong communication, looking out for one another and innovative ideas are hallmarks of the safety culture at Twentymile. Pat Sollars, General Manager of Operations at Twentymile, credited the Colorado team's success to strong safety values and commitment. "Safety is more than a priority at Twentymile, it is a value," said Sollars. "Our workforce is continuously evaluating and implementing innovative solutions to improve safety systems. For Twentymile employees, safety is not a statistic; it is a way of life."

Globally, Peabody achieved a 1.87 safety incidence rate per 200,000 hours worked drive, tying the 2012 safety record, the best in the company's 131-year history.

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