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Attention: Mr A Sameul

Sir,

**USE OF TUFFLEX PLASTIC SLEEPERS FOR USE UNDERGROUND ON
MINES**

Your unreferenced letter dated 22 July 2005 refers.

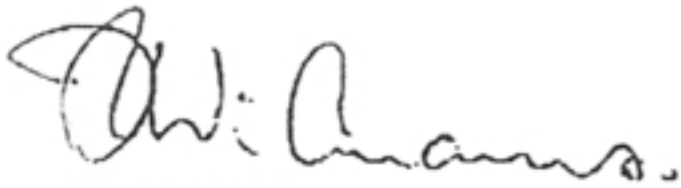
It is not the policy of the Chief Inspector of Mines to approve equipment for use in mines.

I wish to draw your attention to the requirements of your responsibilities as manufacturer in terms of Section 21 of the Mine Health and Safety Act 1996, (Act 29 of 1996), supplying equipment to mines.

The Chief Inspector of Mines has no objection to the use of the Tufflex Sleepers with the proviso that the conditions of use of this type of sleeper is

given to the mines using the Tufflex Plastic Sleeper. You are advised to carry out a risk assessment in conjunction with the mine management to identify the hazards and associated risks when using the Tufflex Plastic Sleepers.

Trusting this of of value to you.



F G Wilmans

Director: Mine Equipment