FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  CANIZARES ROBERTO					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO [ MSA ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 121 GAMMA DRIVE RIDC INDUSTRIAL PARK				03/	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2008									X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President						
(Street) PITTSBURGH PA 15238  (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 03/18/2008										Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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Common Stock, no par value 03/15					5/2008	3			S		0		D	\$41	.58	75,127	D			
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**Explanation of Responses:** 

## Remarks:

This transaction did not occur as reported. Insider paid cash and did not make a sale of stock.

Douglas K. McClaine, Attorney in Fact 04/04/2008

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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