FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* RYAN JOHN T III						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES CO [MSA]							X Director X 10% Owner					
	(Fi MMA DRIV DUSTRIAI	E	(Middle	e)		Date of Earliest Tra /19/2006	nth/Day/Year)		X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Chairman & CEO									
(Street)	JRGH PA		15238	.	4. 1	f Amendment, Dat	e of Orio	ginal F	iled (Month/D	ay/Year)		ine) X Forr Forr	n filed by	One Re	porting F	ck Applicable Person Reporting		
(City)	(St	ate)	(Zip)									Pers	ion					
		Tal	ble I - I	Non-Deriv	ative	e Securities A	cquir	ed, C	Disposed (of, or E	3enefici	ally Own	ed					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea		Execution Date,		action (Instr.	4. Securities Disposed Of 5)	Acquired (A) or (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transactio (Instr. 3 an	n(s) d 4)			,		
Common	Stock, no p	ar value		05/19/20	06		S		400	D	\$40.72	1,013	301	D				
Common Stock, no par value			05/19/2006			S		400	D	\$40.59	1,012,	901	D					
Common	Stock, no p	ar value		05/19/2006			S		500	D	\$40.2	1,012,	401	D				
Common Stock, no par value			05/19/2006			S		500	D	\$40.15	0.15 1,011,9		D					
Common Stock, no par value			05/19/2006			S		500	D	\$40.73	40.73 1,011		D					
Common Stock, no par value			05/19/2006			S		500	D	\$40.55	\$40.55 1,010		D					
Common Stock, no par value			05/19/2006			S		700	D	\$40.61	1,010,201		D)				
Common Stock, no par value		05/19/2006			S		1,000	D	\$40.45	1,009	201	D						
Common Stock, no par value		05/19/2006			S		1,100	D	\$40.6	1,008,101		D)					
Common Stock, no par value		05/19/2006			S		1,200	D	\$40.7	1,006,901		D						
Common Stock, no par value		05/19/2006			S		1,300	D	\$40.62	1,005	601	D						
Common Stock, no par value			05/19/2006			S		1,500	D	\$40.5	1,004,101		D					
Common Stock, no par value			05/19/20	06		S		2,000	D	\$40.65	1,002,	101	D					
Common Stock, no par value											358,0)63	I	:	By Wife ⁽¹⁾			
Common	Stock, no p	ar value										147,5	574	I		By Partnership ⁽²⁾		
Common	Stock, no p	ar value										160,3	357	I		By Wife as Trustee ⁽³⁾		
Common	Stock, no p	ar value										1,521,	889	I		As Co- Trustee ⁽⁴⁾		
Common Stock, no par value										474,1	.56	I		Co-Trustee ⁽⁵⁾				
Preferred - 4-1/2% Cumulative											18'	187						
Preferred - 4-1/2% Cumulative												93		I		By Testamentary Trust ⁽⁶⁾		
			Table I			Securities Acc												
Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		eemed 4. ution Date, Trans		5. Number	f 6. Da Expi (Mor		rcisable and 7. Title and Amount of		e and nt of ties lying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	rivative derivative curity Securities		10. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)				

		Та	ble II - Deriva (e.g., p					options,	convertib	le sec		/ Owned			
ESeptiantation		3. Transaction Date e(Month/Day/Year) rship of these shares	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code Transa Code (8)	(Instr.		ative rities	Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate		ties ying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficially	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership . (Instr. 4)
extent of my 3. Shares held	pecuniary inter l in trusts of wh	nited partnership of vest. iich I am not a trustee hich I am a Trustee a	e and in which memb	ers of m	y imme	Dispo of (D) di(Instr	osed Ingily ar	re beneficiaries	. I disclaim be	and 4)	ownership o	these shares	Reported	.,.	ept to the
5. Shares held	l in trusts of wh	nich I am a trustee an ary trust of which I a	d in which I and men	bers of	my imn	• nediate	family	are among the	beneficiaries.						
Remarks	:			Code	 v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiratic Do	_ 0	or Number K. McCla in Fact	ine,	05/23/200	 <u>06</u>	

** Signature of Reporting Person

erson Date

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

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