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Office of the President  
June 8, 2010

Members, Board of Trustees:

## ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS AND ALLIANCE HOLDINGS PLEDGE

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees accept a pledge of \$1,200,000 from Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. and Alliance Holdings GP, L.P. of Tulsa, Oklahoma to create the Alliance Coal Chair in Mining Engineering in the College of Engineering.

Background: Alliance Resource Partners is a diversified coal producer and marketer with significant operations in the eastern United States. It has a longstanding partnership with the College of Engineering Department of Mining Engineering through its support of faculty, students, and research. The Alliance Coal Chair will provide the opportunity to recruit a renowned scholar and researcher to enhance the teaching, research, and service of the Department.

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Action taken:     Approved     Disapproved     Other\_\_\_\_\_