Biography Stanley J. Michalek



Stan Michalek is the US Department of Labor (DOL) Dam Safety Officer and Chief of the Mine Waste and Geotechnical Engineering Division in DOL's Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA). He began his career with MSHA in 1983 in their Denver, CO, office before relocating to Pittsburgh, PA, in 1995. Prior to MSHA, he worked for Cities Service Oil and Gas (CITGO) in Tulsa, OK.

Mr. Michalek earned a BS degree in Mining Engineering from The Pennsylvania State University and an MS degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Colorado. He is a registered Professional Engineer in Pennsylvania. He is a member of the US Society on Dams and the Association of State Dam Safety Officials. He is involved with numerous committees involved with dam safety.

MSHA is responsible for safeguarding the safety and health of the Nation's miners. Mr. Michalek's Division provides engineering consulting and training to MSHA's inspectors in the field. Much of the Division's work involves the technical review of engineering design plans and the investigation of problems associated with dams at mining operations. The Division also evaluates problems at mines related to geotechnical and structural engineering. More information on MSHA and the duties of the Mine Waste and Geotechnical Engineering Division can be found at www.msha.gov.