

We urge you to carefully read and consider the shortly to be released Pike River inquiry. Not because we have any particular "inside knowledge" about what the report might say. Just as in the past when disasters of such magnitude are reported on, there are the inevitable serious questions asked about our safety systems, and ensuring those who work in highly hazardous industries receive the protection they deserve. The findings of the inquiry will undoubtedly impact on the immediate direction of the Health and Safety secretariat