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Statement by U.S. Secretary of Labor Elaine L. Chao

WASHINGTON – Secretary of Labor Elaine L. Chao today issued the following statement regarding the tragic loss of rescuers at the Crandall Canyon Mine:

“Our hearts, thoughts and prayers go out to the families, friends and colleagues of the rescuers who were killed and those who were injured last night during the heroic efforts to save the lives of the trapped miners. These brave men -- one of them a Mine Safety and Health Administration professional -- made the ultimate sacrifice so that others may live. We join the families and the community in mourning the loss of these courageous rescuers and we continue to pray for those miners still missing.”

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