

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G
(RULE 13D-102)

INFORMATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1 AND 13D-2
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
(AMENDMENT NO. 18)

MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

602720104

(CUSIP Number)

August 31, 2000

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)
 Rule 13d-1(c)
 Rule 13d-1(d)

CUSIP No. 602720104

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1) Names of Reporting Persons

IRS Identification No. Of Above Persons

The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.
(formerly, PNC Bank Corp.)

25-1435979

2) Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

- a)
b)

3) SEC USE ONLY

4) Citizenship or Place of Organization Pennsylvania

Number of Shares 5) Sole Voting Power 1,230,582

Beneficially Owned 6) Shared Voting Power -0-

By Each Reporting Person 7) Sole Dispositive Power 15,432

Person With 8) Shared Dispositive Power 3,900

9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person 1,230,582*

* See the response to Item 4.

10) Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares
See Instructions []

11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) 10.3*

* See the response to Item 4.

12) Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions) HC

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PNC Bancorp, Inc. 51-0326854

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3) SEC USE ONLY

4) Citizenship or Place of Organization Delaware

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PNC Bank, National Association 22-1146430
- 2) Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)
 - a)
 - b)
- 3) SEC USE ONLY
- 4) Citizenship or Place of Organization United States
- Number of Shares 5) Sole Voting Power 1,230,582
- Beneficially Owned 6) Shared Voting Power -0-
- By Each Reporting Person With 7) Sole Dispositive Power 15,432
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|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Number of Shares | 5) Sole Voting Power | 1,230,582 |
| Beneficially Owned | 6) Shared Voting Power | -0- |
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ITEM 4 - OWNERSHIP:

The following information is as of December 31, 1999:

- (a) Amount Beneficially Owned: 1,230,582 shares*
- (b) Percent of Class: 10.3*
- (c) Number of shares to which such person has:
- | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote | 1,230,582 |
| (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote | -0- |
| (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of | 15,432 |
| (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of | 3,900 |

*Of the total shares of Common Stock reported herein, 1,125,000 shares are held in a pension plan trust account opened on June 13, 2000 under the plan name of "Non-Contributory Pension Plan for Employees of Mine Safety Appliances Company." The account was established under that certain Trust Agreement dated April 1, 1992 by and between Mine Safety Appliances Company and Pittsburgh National Bank (now, PNC Bank, National Association) for which PNC Bank, National Association serves as Directed Trustee.

ITEM 7 - IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY:

Included are the following subsidiaries of The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. (formerly, PNC Bank Corp.) - HC:

- PNC Bancorp, Inc. - HC (wholly owned subsidiary of PNC Bank Corp.)
- PNC Bank, National Association - BK (wholly owned subsidiary of PNC Bancorp, Inc.)
- PNC Bank, FSB - BK (wholly owned subsidiary of PNC Bancorp, Inc.)

ITEM 10 - CERTIFICATION:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

September 8, 2000

Date

By: /s/ Robert L. Haunschild

Signature - The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. (formerly, PNC Bank Corp.)
Robert L. Haunschild, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Name & Title

September 8, 2000

Date

By: /s/ James B. Yahner

Signature - PNC Bancorp, Inc.
James B. Yahner, Vice President

Name & Title

September 8, 2000

Date

By: /s/ Thomas R. Moore

Signature - PNC Bank, National Association
Thomas R. Moore, Secretary

Name & Title

September 8, 2000

Date

By: /s/ Thomas R. Moore

Signature - PNC Bank, FSB
Thomas R. Moore, Secretary

Name & Title

AN AGREEMENT TO FILE A JOINT STATEMENT
WAS PREVIOUSLY FILED AS EXHIBIT A TO AMENDMENT NO. 11.