I was the lead MSHA investigator on the explosion at the McClane Canyon Mine on November 27, 2005. This explosion occurred in an active, ventilated area of the mine and not within a sealed area. The nine Omega block seals were blown into the sealed area and destroyed by the explosion. I spoke with Karl Zipf about this on February 13, 2007, and he was going to revise the report to reflect this change. You can contact me at the email address above or at 303-231-5560.

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