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EEC RESEARCH GRANTS FOR U.K. COAL AND TEEL

The European Community has decided to award grants totalling £255,231 to finance five programmes of social research in the coal and steel industries.

The British Steel Corporation will receive £29,775 for a study to be carried out in London on the prevention of accidents by job design in the development of new plant.

The Institute of Occupational Medicine in Edinburgh will receive grants totalling £255,456 for the following four research projects:

- 1. Investigation of coal face and equipment and the resultant effects on work organisation: £37,964.
- 2. Visual requirements and lighting standards in mining operations: £27,822.
- 3. Thermal conditions in mining operations: £100,496.
- 4. Investigation of stress on coal face workers: £59,174.

These allocations come from a Fund of 9 million units of account (approximately £3.75 million) made available in December 1974 for the Third Programme of Social Research entitled "Ergonomics and Rehabilitation".

This programme is authorised under Article 55 of the ECSC Treaty which empowers the Commission to promote technical and economic research relating to occupational safety in the coal and steel industries.

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