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Circuit Breakers and Switches

Electric equipment and circuits shall be provided with switches or other controls of safe design, construction and installation.

The MSA does not specifically address high voltage ground monitoring interlock cover switches on electrical distribution installations.

- High voltage ground monitoring interlock cover switches installed on high voltage electrical cable splice boxes, line splitters and other high voltage installations in underground mines shall be maintained operational as designed if installed on equipment.
- If the inspector establishes that high voltage ground monitoring interlock cover switches have been removed or rendered inoperative and it can be verified that the switches were part of the original equipment design and approval, then a violation must be issued requiring that the cover switches be installed or repaired.