

Fatality Alert

MINE FATALITY – On June 9, 2023, a contract truck driver died when an excavator bucket struck him. A contractor crew was using the excavator to assist in unloading a fuel tank from a lowboy trailer when the excavator bucket suddenly moved.



Best Practices

- Do not place yourself in a position that exposes you to hazards.
- Follow the manufacturer’s warning and engage safety lock mechanisms before getting out of the operator’s seat.
- Train miners in safe work procedures and hazard recognition before working around moving equipment.

This is the 23rd fatality reported in 2023, and the eighth classified as “Machinery.”

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