Recently, a miner was operating a scoop outby the section. He had taken a load of trash off the section, and while returning, he saw a piece of plastic on the mine floor and reached down to pick it up. When the miner reached outside the cab, his foot slipped off the brake and hit the accelerator. His arm and hand were pinched between the coal rib and scoop causing him to lose part of his left hand.

**Best Practices**

- Keep all parts of your body, especially extremities (arms and legs), within the cab or frame of moving mobile equipment.

- Always ensure mobile equipment is de-energized and the brakes are set before exiting the equipment.

- Install gates or other means to prevent the equipment operator and/or passengers from reaching outside of the cab and/or frame of the equipment.