



**Fatality #15 - September 1, 2003**  
**Powered Haulage - TN - Dimension Sandstone**  
**Rimrock Quarries - Cinder Lane Quarries**

**METAL/NONMETAL MINE FATALITY** - On September 1, 2003, a 20-year-old laborer, with 1½ years mining experience, was fatally injured at a surface dimension sandstone mine. The victim was operating a fork lift when he lost control and overturned while traveling on a mine roadway.



**Best Practices**

- Ensure adequate pre-operational checks are conducted on all self-propelled mobile equipment and that any defects found are promptly corrected.
- Ensure that service brakes will stop and hold equipment prior to operating mobile equipment.
- Ensure that berms are provided on elevated edges of roadways where a drop-off exists.
- Remove spilled material that creates hazards on roadways.
- Provide appropriate training before any tasks are performed.

This is the 15<sup>th</sup> fatality reported in calendar year 2003 in the metal and nonmetal mining industries. As of this date in 2002, there were 24 fatalities reported in these industries. This is the first fatality classified as powered haulage in 2003. There were 9 powered haulage fatalities in the same period in 2002.