



Fatality #19 - September 28, 2004
Powered Haulage - TN - Sand & Gravel (Construction)
Ford Construction Co. - Troy Plant

METAL/NONMETAL MINE FATALITY - On September 28, 2004, a 64-year-old plant operator, with 17 years mining experience, was fatally injured at a sand and gravel operation. He was using a water hose to clean spillage under a conveyor. Apparently, a large rock fell from a conveyor located overhead and struck him, resulting in fatal injuries.



Best Practices

- Conduct a Risk Assessment evaluating all tasks and identifying potential hazards before performing work.
- Never walk under or perform work near moving conveyor belts where there is a danger of being stuck from falling material.
- Ensure that guards, shields, or other devices are installed to protect persons from hazards of falling material near conveyors, screens, or crushers.

This is the 19th fatality reported in calendar year 2004 for the Metal and Nonmetal mining industries. As of this date in 2003, there were 19 fatalities reported. This is the 6th fatality classified as Powered Haulage in 2004. There were two Powered Haulage fatalities in the same period in 2003.