

MNM Fatal 2005-15

- Powered Haulage
- June 29, 2005 (Mississippi)
- Sand & Gravel Operation
- Operator
- 21 years old
- 12 weeks mining experience

Overview

The victim was operating a scraper at a sand and gravel operation. The scraper overturned, pinning him under the cab.



Causal Factors

- Policies, procedures, or controls were inadequate and failed to ensure that berms were maintained along the elevated edge of the stockpile.
- Procedures were not in place to ensure that seat belts were worn when persons operated mobile equipment.
- Procedures for performing pre-operational inspection of the machine were not followed and failed to implement corrective actions in a timely manner. Three of the four wheel brakes provided on the machine had been purposely disabled a month prior to the accident.

Best Practices

- Stop, Look, Analyze, and Manage (SLAM) each task.
- Operate mobile equipment so that you maintain control.
- Always wear a seat belt when operating mobile equipment.
- Never jump from mobile equipment.