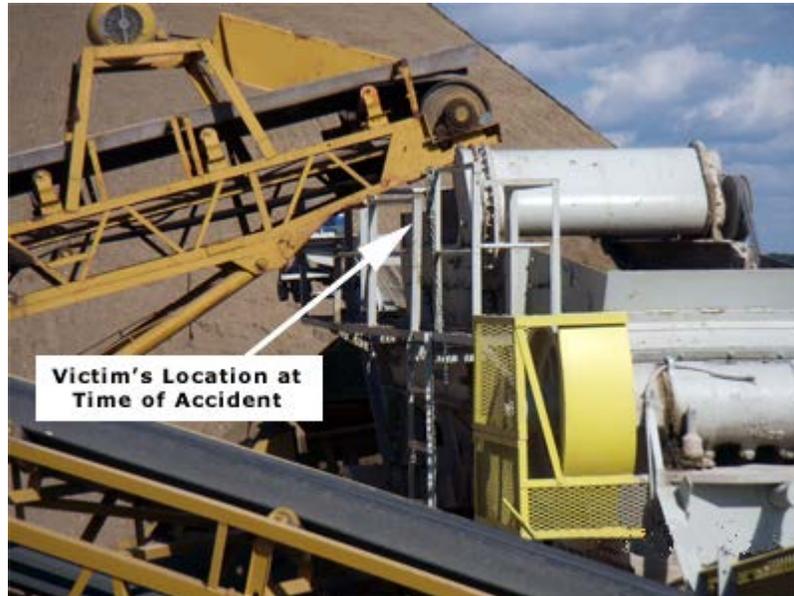




**Fatality #7 - August 9, 2011**

**Powered Haulage - Minnesota – Construction Sand and Gravel  
4 J's Gravel Crushing - 4 J's Gravel Crushing**

**METAL/NONMETAL MINE FATALITY** - On August 9, 2011, a 24-year-old skid-steer loader operator with 12 weeks of experience was killed at a sand and gravel operation. He accessed an elevated platform near an unguarded head pulley and became entangled in the operating conveyor system.



**Best Practices**

- Identify hazards around conveyor systems, design guards, and securely install the guarding.
- Always provide and maintain guarding sufficient to prevent contact with moving machine parts.
- Train persons to recognize the hazards associated with performing tasks.
- Follow established lock-out and tag-out procedures before working on operating systems or moving machine parts.
- Remain aware of potential hazards in your work area and take actions to eliminate the risks.
- Do not wear loose fitting clothing when working near moving machine parts.

This is the 7<sup>th</sup> fatality reported in calendar year 2011 in the metal and nonmetal mining industries. As of this date in 2010, there were 11 fatalities reported in these industries. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Powered Haulage fatality in 2011. There were 2 Powered Haulage fatalities in the same period in 2010.

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