

Preliminary Report of Accident



1. Accident Type: Fatal Injury	2. Accident Classification Fall of Face, Rib, Pillar or Highwall	3. Date/Time of Accident 12/07/2011 07:33 AM	4. Date/Time of Death 12/07/2011 12:28 PM	5. Fatal Case No 23
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6. Mine Information :

a) Mining Company Name Fairbanks Coal Company Inc	b) Mine Name Fairbanks No 4	c) Parent of Mining Company Wesley D. Burke
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7. Mine Location :	a) City Appalachia	b) County Wise	c) State VA	8. Mine ID Number: 44-07256	9. Union: NO
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10. Primary Mineral Mined: BITUMINOUS	11. Number of Mine Employees:	a) Total 29	b) Underground 0	c) Open Pit/Quarry 29	d) Mill/Prep Plant 0	e) Other 0
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12. Contractor Name:	13. Union	14. Contractor ID Number:
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15. Contractor Address:	a) City	b) County	c) State	d) Zip Code
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16. Number of Contractor Employees:	a) Total	b) Underground	c) Open Pit/Quarry	d) Mill/Prep Plant	e) Other
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17. Number of Persons in Mine at Time of Accident:	18. Number of Persons Unaccounted For:
a) Mine Employees: 19	a) Mine Employees: 0
b) Contractor Employees: 0	b) Contractor Employees: 0

19) Location of Accident	20. Mining Height:
<input type="checkbox"/> 01-Underground <input type="checkbox"/> 02-Surface at Underground <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 03-Open Pit <input type="checkbox"/> 06-Dredge Mining <input type="checkbox"/> 07-Advance Mining <input type="checkbox"/> 08-Retreat Mining <input type="checkbox"/> 30-Mill/Prep Plant <input type="checkbox"/> 99-Office Facility <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Feet Inches

21. Nonfatal Injuries: 0	22. Fatal Injuries: 1
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23. Victim Information :	a) Name Richard N. Yonts	b) Age 49
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c) Regular Job Title: Equipment Operator	d) Activity at Time of Accident: Operating Excavator	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mine Employee
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24. Experience :	Years Weeks Days	Years Weeks Days	Years Weeks Days	Years Weeks Days	
a) Total:	20	b) at the mine:	2 6	c) at activity (23d): 32	d) with Contractor

25. Autopsy Performed: YES	If Yes, Location Roanoke, VA	26. Mine Telephone No.: (276) 565-1520
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27. Description of Accident (include equipment involved, the exact location in the mine, and status of rescue and recovery operations):
An excavator operator was fatally injured at approximately 0733 hours on 12/07/2011 in the pit of a surface mine operation. The excavator operator was loading shot material in the pit when a portion of the highwall collapsed on the operator's compartment of the excavator.

The information provided in this notice is based on preliminary data ONLY and does not represent final determinations regarding the nature of the incident or conclusions regarding the cause of the accident.

28. Equipment Manufacturer: Komatsu	29. Model: PC400
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30. District: C0500 Norton	32. Field Office: Norton VA	33. Event Number: 4129812
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34. Accident Investigator: Wade T. Gardner	35. MSHA Person Notified: Gary W. Hall	Date 12/07/2011	Time 07:58 A
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36. Type of Report: Amended	37. Name of Preparer and Date Prepared: Gary W. Hall	Date 12/08/2011
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38. Reason For Amendment:
To correct description of accident.