

# METAL / NONMETAL

## Serious Accident

Phosphate/Surface – A miner operating a loaded articulated, haul truck drove through a berm and rolled the truck down the face of the dam. The miner was able to break out and crawl through the windshield and onto the hood to wait for help to arrive. The miner was taken to a local hospital with serious injuries.



### Best Practices

- Operate equipment in a manner that is consistent with conditions of roadways, grades, clearance, visibility, traffic, and the type of equipment used.
- Provide and maintain adequate berms and other barriers that are at least mid-axle high on the banks of roadways where a drop off exists.
- Train all employees on the equipment they operate, on safe job procedures, hazard recognition, and on hazard avoidance.
- Maintain control of equipment at all times during operation. Know the truck's capabilities, operating ranges, load-limits, and safety features.
- Monitor work activities and examine work areas to assure safe work practices are followed.
- Monitor contract employees adequately at all job sites to ensure that safe work procedures are being followed.

