

Fatality #3 - February 11, 2011 Powered Haulage - Surface - Arizona Peabody Western Coal Company - Kayenta Mine

COAL MINE FATALITY - - On Friday, February 11, 2011, a 55 year old miner with 30 years of mining experience was killed when the fuel and grease service truck he was operating collided head on with a scraper. The two pieces of equipment were traveling in opposite directions. The impact resulted in a fire that engulfed the fuel truck.



Best Practices

- Inform others when driving a vehicle into a work area.
- Optimize traffic rules to maximize safe road travel.
- Obey established traffic rules and signage that apply to the area.
- Follow established communication procedures.
- Ensure signage is in place and easily observed.
- Maintain control of equipment at all times.
- Ensure all safety systems are maintained, including brakes and steering.

This is the third fatality reported during calendar year 2011 in the coal mining industry. This is the second fatality classified as a Powered Haulage accident in 2011. Two coal mine fatalities occurred in 2010 within the same period. One Powered Haulage accident occurred during the same period in 2010.

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