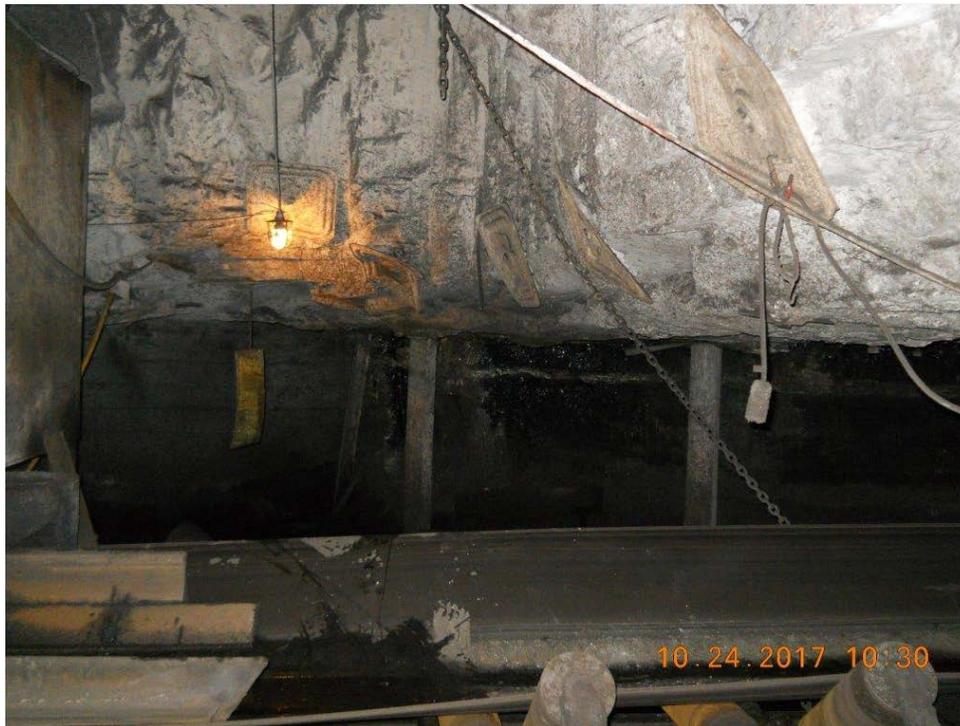


COAL MINE FATALITY - On Monday, October 23, 2017, a 48-year-old mine examiner with 19 years of mining experience, received fatal injuries after he fell on the No. 1 conveyor belt near the transfer point with the No. 2 conveyor belt and was transported by the belt conveyor system to the raw coal pile. It appears he was attempting to cross the No. 1 conveyor belt at the time of the accident.



- Never attempt to cross a moving conveyor belt, except at suitable crossing facilities.
- Train all employees thoroughly on the dangers of working on or traveling around moving conveyor belts.
- Provide conveyor belt stop and start controls at areas where miners must access both sides of the belt.
- Install practical and usable belt crossing facilities at strategic locations, including near controls, when height allows.
- Install pull cords to disconnect power to the conveyor belt at strategic locations along the conveyor belt.

This is the fourteenth fatality reported during calendar year 2017 in the coal mining industry. This fatality is classified as a powered haulage accident. As of this date in 2016, there were seven fatalities reported in coal mining, two of which were classified as power haulage