

Preliminary Report of Accident

U.S. Department of Labor
Mine Safety and Health Administration



PR001 01/14/2022

1. Accident Type F - Fatal Injury		2. Accident Classification 17 - Machinery		3. Date/Time of Accident 01/07/2022 10:40 PM		4. Date/Time of Death 01/07/2022 11:45 PM		5. Fatal Case No FAI-7010120-1		
6. Mine Information										
a) Mining Company Name: Sunrise Coal, LLC		b) Mine Name: Oaktown Fuels Mine No. 1								
c) Parent of Mining Company: Hallador Energy Company										
7. Mine Location Information					8. Mine ID Number 12-02394		9. Union No			
a) City Oaktown		b) County Knox		c) State IN						
10. Primary Mineral Mined Bituminous Coal Underground Mining				11. Number of Employees						
a) Total 355		b) Underground 322		c) Open Pit/Quarry		d) Mill/Prep Plant		e) Other 33		
12. Contractor Name					13. Contractor Union		14. Contractor ID Number			
15. Contractor Address										
a) City		b) County		c) State		d) Zip Code				
16. Number of Contractor Employees										
a) Total		b) Underground		c) Open Pit/Quarry		d) Mill/Prep Plant		e) Other		
17. Number of Persons in Mine at Time of Accident					18. Number of Persons Unaccounted for					
a) Mine Employees 92		b) Contractor Employees			a) Mine Employees		b) Contractor Employees			
19. Accident Location 01 - Underground								20. Mining Height 6 Feet 2 Inches		
21. Nonfatal Injuries		22. Fatal Injuries 1								
23. Victims Information										
Brian Rodriguez										
a) First Name Brian		a) MI	a) Last Name Rodriguez		b) Age 35	c) Regular Job Title Continuous Miner Machine Operator		d) Activity at Time of Accident Continuous Miner Machine Operator		Employee Mine Employee
24. Mining Experience										
a) Total Experience 9 Years 8 Weeks Days		b) Experience at the Mine 4 Years 19 Weeks 3 Days			c) Experience at the Activity at the Time of the Accident 4 Years Weeks Days			d) Experience with Contractor 0 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days		
25. Autopsy Performed Yes		If Yes, Location Vincennes, IN								
26. Mine Telephone No. (812) 745-2920										
27. Description of Accident (include equipment involved, the exact location in the mine, and status and recovery operations) A continuous mining machine operator died when he was pinned between the continuous mining machine and a coal rib <i>The information provided in this notice is based on preliminary data ONLY and does not represent final determination regarding the nature of the incident or conclusions regarding the cause of the accident.</i>										
28. Equipment Manufacturer Joy Machinery Co. (Joy Manufacturing Co)					29. Model 14CM15-11DX					
30. District C0800 - Vincennes District					32. Field Office C0801 - Vincennes IN Field Office			33. Event Number 7010120		
34. Accident Investigator										
First Name Bub		MI		Last Name Whitfield						
35. MSHA Person Notified										
First Name Bradley		MI		Last Name Smith		Date/Time Notified 01/07/2022 11:02 PM				
36. Type of Report Initial		37. Name of Preparer			Date Prepared					
		Full Name Theresa Denise Tuggle			Date Prepared 01/10/2022					
38. Reason for Amendment										