

Fatality Alert

MINE FATALITY – On November 5, 2022, a miner died when he was engulfed in a coal stockpile.



Best Practices

- Equip grates and feeders with mechanical clearing devices to prevent miners from being exposed to hazards of falling or sliding material.
- Make sure miners do not travel by foot on stockpiles or near the toe of stockpile slopes.
- Make sure miners can be seen, heard, or can communicate with others when working alone under hazardous conditions.
- Examine working places to identify the potential for falling or sliding materials prior to allowing access to areas in or around grates and feeders.

This is the 27th fatality reported in 2022, and the third classified as “Engulfment.”

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