

Preliminary Report of Accident

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



PR001 08/14/2025

1. Accident Type F - Fatal Injury		2. Accident Classification 12 - Powered Haulage		3. Date/Time of Accident 08/07/2025 2:15 PM		4. Date/Time of Death 08/07/2025 02:57 PM		5. Fatal Case No FAI-F016CD5-1	
6. Mine Information									
a) Mining Company Name:		Highpoint Sand and Gravel LLC							
b) Mine Name:		202501							
c) Parent of Mining Company:		Nick Trapp et al							
7. Mine Location Information				8. Mine ID Number		9. Union			
a) City Rockland		b) County Ontonagan		c) State MI		47-03973		No	
10. Primary Mineral Mined Construction Sand & Gravel Mining, N.E.C.				11. Number of Employees					
				a) Total 3		b) Underground		c) Open Pit/Quarry 3	
						d) Mill/Prep Plant 0		e) Other 0	
12. Contractor Name Falcon Drilling & Blasting Inc						13. Contractor Union No		14. Contractor ID Number XSM	
15. Contractor Address				b) County		c) State		d) Zip Code	
a) City Eureka				WI		54963			
16. Number of Contractor Employees									
a) Total 2		b) Underground 0		c) Open Pit/Quarry 2		d) Mill/Prep Plant 0		e) Other 0	
17. Number of Persons in Mine at Time of Accident				18. Number of Persons Unaccounted for					
a) Mine Employees 1		b) Contractor Employees 2		a) Mine Employees 0		b) Contractor Employees 0			
19. Accident Location 03 - Open Pit								20. Mining Height 50 Feet 0 Inches	
21. Nonfatal Injuries 0		22. Fatal Injuries 1							
23. Victims Information									
Terry Johnson									
a) First Name Terry		a) MI	a) Last Name Johnson		b) Age 50	c) Regular Job Title Blaster		d) Activity at Time of Accident Operating front-end loader	
Employee Contractor Employee									
24. Mining Experience									
a) Total Experience 33 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days		b) Experience at the Mine 0 Years 0 Weeks 3 Days		c) Experience at the Activity at the Time of the Accident 0 Years 0 Weeks 3 Days				d) Experience with Contractor 0 Years 6 Weeks 6	
25. Autopsy Performed No									
If Yes, Location									
26. Mine Telephone No. (715) 892-2040									
27. Description of Accident (include equipment involved, the exact location in the mine, and status and recovery operations) A miner died when the front-end loader he was operating went over a highwall and fell approximately 70 feet. <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 John Deere					29. Model 544E				
30. District M4000 - Duluth District					32. Field Office M4641 - Marquette MI Field Office			33. Event Number F016CD5	
34. Accident Investigator									
First Name Cory		MI	Last Name Niemi						
35. MSHA Person Notified									
First Name Nicholas		MI J	Last Name Hurkman		Date/Time Notified 08/07/2025 2:30 PM				
36. Type of Report Initial		37. Name of Preparer Full Name Roscoe J Clarke			Date Prepared 08/07/2025				
38. Reason for Amendment									