



## Preliminary Report of Accident

This is a preliminary report of a reported mine fatality that occurred at Ottawa Pit and Plant on June 12, 2010. This report is subject to change as the accident is investigated and will be updated as NEW INFORMATION becomes available. A notice will be posted on MSHA's homepage when the report is updated.

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1. Accident Type: Fatal Injury		2. Accident Classification Slip or Fall of Person		3. Date/Time of Accident 06/12/2010 02:20 PM		4. Date/Time of Death 06/12/2010 03:20 PM		5. Fatal Case No 10							
6. Mine Information :															
a) Mining Company Name Unimin Minnesota Corporation			b) Mine Name OTTAWA PIT & PLANT			c) Parent of Mining Company S C R-Sibelco Nv									
7. Mine Location :		a) City Le Sueur		b) County Le Sueur		c) State MN		8. Mine ID Number: 21-00790		9. Union:					
10. Primary Mineral Mined: CRUSHED & BROKEN SANDSTONE		11. Number of Mine Employees:		a) Total 45	b) Underground	c) Open Pit/Quarry 4	d) Mill/Prep Plant 38	e) Other 3							
12. Contractor Name: MOR-PPM						13. Union NO		14. Contractor ID Number: G908							
15. Contractor Address:		a) City SOCIETY HILL		b) County DARLINGTON		c) State SC		d) Zip Code 29593							
16. Number of Contractor Employees:		a) Total 6		b) Underground		c) Open Pit/Quarry		d) Mill/Prep Plant 6		e) Other					
17. Number of Persons in Mine at Time of Accident:					18. Number of Persons Unaccounted For:										
a) Mine Employees: 11		b) Contractor Employees: 6			a) Mine Employees: 0		b) Contractor Employees: 0								
19) Location of Accident									20. Mining Height:						
<input type="checkbox"/> 01-Underground	<input type="checkbox"/> 02-Surface at Underground	<input type="checkbox"/> 03-Open Pit	<input type="checkbox"/> 06-Dredge Mining	<input type="checkbox"/> 07-Advance Mining	<input type="checkbox"/> 08-Retreat Mining	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30-Mill/Prep Plant	<input type="checkbox"/> 99-Office Facility	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)	Feet    Inches						
21. Nonfatal Injuries: 0		22. Fatal Injuries: 1													
23. Victim Information :		a) Name THOMAS S. EDWARDS			b) Age 46										
c) Regular Job Title: WELDER IRONWORKER/SAFETYMA				d) Activity at Time of Accident: WORKING FROM A LADDER						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contractor Employee					
24. Experience :		Years Weeks Days		Years Weeks Days		Years Weeks Days		Years Weeks Days							
a) Total:	4	0	0	b) at the mine:	0	5	6	c) at activity (23d)	0	5	6	d) with Contractor	0	5	6
25. Autopsy Performed:    If Yes, Location YES    LE SUEUR COUNTY								26. Mine Telephone No.: (507) 665-3386							

27. Description of Accident (include equipment involved, the exact location in the mine, and status of rescue and recovery operations):

The victim was working from an elevated location that was provided with handrails. He was using an 8 foot stepladder. While preparing to weld on an overhead vent pipe, he fell going over the handrail and landed on a railroad track 47 feet below.

The information provided in this notice is based on preliminary data ONLY and does not represent final determinations regarding the nature of the incident or conclusions regarding the cause of the accident.

28. Equipment Manufacturer:				29. Model:			
30. District: M4000    North Central		32. Field Office: Hibbing MN				33. Event Number: 6512752	
34. Accident Investigator: George F. Schorr			35. MSHA Person Notified: William H. Pomroy			Date 06/12/2010	Time 02:27 PM
36. Type of Report: Initial		37. Name of Preparer and Date Prepared: Michael L Franklin				Date 06/18/2010	
38. Reason For Amendment:							