

MNMM Fatal 2010-17

- Powered Haulage Accident
- October 7, 2010 (Kansas)
- Dimension Stone Operation
- Dozer Operator
- 72 years old
- 20 years of experience

Overview

The victim died when he was struck by a haul truck. The victim dismounted the dozer he had been operating and walked in front of the haul truck. The accident occurred because the victim approached the haul truck and did not notify the haul truck operator of his presence.



Root Cause

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Corrective Action: The business terminated at the time of the victim's death. Consequently, no action was taken.

Best Practices

- Train all persons to stay clear of mobile equipment.
- Be aware of the location and traffic patterns of mobile equipment in your work area.
- Never approach mobile equipment until you communicate with mobile equipment operators and receive confirmation from the operator indicating awareness of your presence.
- Use radios to communicate when visual contact can't be maintained.
- Wear high visibility clothing when working around mobile equipment.
- Install "rear viewing" cameras and proximity detection devices on mobile equipment.
- Before moving mobile equipment, look in the direction of travel, use all mirrors, cameras, and proximity detection devices to ensure no persons are in the intended path.
- Sound the horn to warn persons of intended movement and wait to give them time to move to a safe location.