

Fatality #3 - February 24, 2011 (Deemed Chargeable 4/11/2011) Powered Haulage - Utah – Construction Sand and Gravel Bolinder Resources LLC - Crushing and Sampling Unit

METAL/NONMETAL MINE FATALITY - On February 24, 2011, a 56 year- old equipment operator with 10 years of experience was killed at a sand and gravel operation. He was cleaning a tramp metal magnet on a belt conveyor when it started.



Best Practices

- Establish policies and procedures for conducting specific tasks on belt conveyors.
- Ensure that persons are task trained and understand the hazards associated with the work being performed.
- Deenergize and block belt conveyors against motion before working near a drive, head, tail, take-up pulleys, and magnets.
- Lock-out/tag-out all power sources before working on belt conveyors.
- Maintain communications with all persons performing the task. Before starting belt conveyors, ensure that all persons are clear.
- Provide and maintain a safe means of access to all working places.
- Sound an audible alarm if the entire length of the belt conveyor is not visible from the starting switch.

This is the 3rd fatality reported in calendar year 2011 in the metal and nonmetal mining industries. As of this date in 2010, there were 2 fatalities reported in these industries. This is the 1st Powered Haulage fatality in 2011. There was 1 Powered Haulage fatality in the same period in 2010.

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