



Fatality #9 - June 21, 2012
Powered Haulage - New York - Crushed, Broken Limestone NEC
T H Kinsella Incorporated - Kinsella Quarry & Mill

METAL/NONMETAL MINE FATALITY - On June 21, 2012, a 49-year old customer truck driver with no mining experience was killed at a surface stone mine. He was driving a loaded dump truck, traveling down a grade, when the truck lost its brakes and went out of control. The victim jumped out and the truck ran over him. A passenger in the truck also jumped out and was treated at a hospital and released.



Best Practices

- Ensure that mobile equipment operators are task trained adequately and demonstrate proficiency in all phases of mobile equipment operation before performing work.
- Maintain equipment braking systems in good repair and adjustment.
- Conduct adequate pre-operational checks to ensure the service brakes will stop and hold the mobile equipment prior to operating.
- Know the truck's capabilities, operating ranges, load-limits and safety features.
- Operators of self-propelled mobile equipment shall maintain control of the equipment while it is in motion.
- Operating speeds shall be consistent with conditions of roadways, tracks, grades, clearance, visibility, curves, and traffic.
- Slow down or shift to a lower gear when necessary. Post areas where lower speeds are warranted.
- Always wear a seat belt when operating self-propelled mobile equipment.
- Do not attempt to exit or jump from moving mobile equipment.
- Provide adequate site specific hazard training to all customer truck drivers.

This is the 9th fatality reported in calendar year 2012 in the metal and nonmetal mining industries. As of this date in 2011, there were 6 fatalities reported in these industries. This is the 4th Powered Haulage fatality in 2012. There was 1 Powered Haulage fatality in the same period in 2011.

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