



Fatality #10 - August 5, 2013

Machinery – New York – Crushed, Broken Limestone NEC

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METAL/NONMETAL MINE FATALITY – On August 5, 2013, a 55-year old plant manager with 5 years of experience was killed at a crushed stone operation. The victim looked into an operating crusher and a tooth, that broke free from an excavator bucket, was ejected from the crusher and struck him.



Best Practices

- Establish and discuss policies and procedures for safely clearing a cone crusher. Consider a mechanical method for clearing material to minimize exposure to persons performing the work.
- Task train persons to recognize all potential hazardous conditions and to understand safe job procedures for elimination of the hazards before beginning work.
- Before working on or near equipment, ensure the equipment power is off and locked out/tagged out. Ensure the equipment has been securely blocked against hazardous motion to ensure energy cannot be released while performing work.
- Always maintain equipment in a safe operating condition.
- Provide a safe means of access for persons required to maintain a cone crusher.
- Provide guards, shields, or other devices to protect persons from the hazard of flying or falling materials generated from the operation of screens, crushers, or conveyors.
- Implement measures to ensure persons are properly positioned and protected from hazards while performing a task.

This is the 10th fatality reported in calendar year 2013 in metal and nonmetal mining. As of this date in 2012, there were 10 fatalities reported in metal and nonmetal mining.

This is the 2nd Machinery fatality in 2013. There was 1 Machinery fatality in the same period in 2012.

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