



**METAL/NONMETAL MINE FATALITY** – – On July 23, 2014, a 51-year-old contract truck driver with 30 years of experience was killed at a cement operation while delivering a load of fly ash. The victim exited the truck to remove the tarp. A front-end loader backed down a ramp and struck the victim, pinning him against the truck.



## Best Practices

- Task train all persons to stay clear of mobile equipment.
- Be aware of the location and traffic patterns of mobile equipment in your work area.
- Before moving mobile equipment, look in the direction of travel and use all mirrors and cameras to ensure no persons are in the intended path.
- Sound the horn to warn persons of intended movement and give them time to move to a safe location.
- Operate mobile equipment at reduced speeds in work areas.
- Ensure that backup alarms and lights on mobile equipment are maintained and operational.
- Remain in your truck when mobile equipment is being operated nearby.
- Communicate with mobile equipment operators and ensure they acknowledge your presence. Stay in the line of sight with mobile equipment operators. Never assume the equipment operator sees you.
- Before operating equipment, always ensure other persons are clear and safely positioned.

This is the 16<sup>th</sup> fatality reported in calendar year 2014 in metal and nonmetal mining. As of this date in 2013, there were 9 fatalities reported in metal and nonmetal mining. This is the 4<sup>th</sup> Powered Haulage fatality in 2014. There were 4 Powered Haulage fatalities in the same period in 2013.