

Preliminary Report of Accident
PR001 10/04/2019

U.S. Department of Labor
Mine Safety and Health Administration



1. Accident Type F - Fatal Injury	2. Accident Classification 13 - Hoisting	3. Date/Time of Accident 06/15/2018 9:22 AM	4. Date/Time of Death 06/27/2019 6:02 AM	5. Fatal Case No 17
6. Mine Information				
a) Mining Company Name: Freeport-McMoRan Chino Mines Company				
b) Mine Name: Chino Mines Co Mine				
c) Parent of Mining Company: Freeport-McMoRan Inc				
7. Mine Location Information			8. Mine ID Number 29-00708	9. Union No
a) City Vanadium	b) County Grant	c) State NM		
10. Primary Mineral Mined		11. Number of Employees		
		a) Total 1040	b) Underground 520	c) Open Pit/Quarry 220
			d) Mill/Prep Plant 300	e) Other
12. Contractor Name			13. Contractor Union	14. Contractor ID Number
15. Contractor Address				
a) City	b) County	c) State	d) Zip Code	
16. Number of Contractor Employees				
a) Total	b) Underground	c) Open Pit/Quarry	d) Mill/Prep Plant	e) Other
17. Number of Persons in Mine at Time of Accident		18. Number of Persons Unaccounted for		
a) Mine Employees 450	b) Contractor Employees	a) Mine Employees 0	b) Contractor Employees	
19. Accident Location 03 - Open Pit				20. Mining Height Feet Inches
21. Nonfatal Injuries	22. Fatal Injuries 1			
23. Victims Information				
Sam Galaz				
a) First Name Sam	a) MI	a) Last Name Galaz	b) Age 57	c) Regular Job Title Welder
d) Activity at Time of Accident Maintenance on 43 Shovel			Employee Mine Employee	
24. Mining Experience				
a) Total Experience 27 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days	b) Experience at the Mine 27 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days	c) Experience at the Activity at the Time of the Accident 27 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days	d) Experience with Contractor 0 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days	
25. Autopsy Performed Yes	If Yes, Location			
26. Mine Telephone No. (928) 965-0772				
27. Description of Accident (include equipment involved, the exact location in the mine, and status and recovery operations) EE was using man basket to exit from the shovel. While descending an arm on the man basket broke and the EE fell approximately 10-20 feet to the ground. EE was flown by helicopter to hospital - his condition remains critical. <i>The information provided in this notice is based on preliminary data ONLY and does not represent final determination regarding the nature of the incident or conclusions regarding the cause of the accident.</i>				
28. Equipment Manufacturer		29. Model 4100 Shovel		
30. District M5000 - South Central District - Dallas		32. Field Office M5641 - Albuquerque NM Field Office		33. Event Number 6801077
34. Accident Investigator				
First Name Lee	MI B	Last Name Cruise		
35. MSHA Person Notified				
First Name	MI	Last Name	Date/Time Notified 06/15/2018 9:53 AM	
36. Type of Report Amended		37. Name of Preparer		
		Full Name Elwood Burriss	Date Prepared 06/18/2018	
38. Reason for Amendment Miner died of his injuries				