

Preliminary Report of Accident

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



PR001 02/26/2020

1. Accident Type F - Fatal Injury		2. Accident Classification 12 - Powered Haulage		3. Date/Time of Accident 07/30/2019 2:00 PM		4. Date/Time of Death 01/08/2020 11:10 AM		5. Fatal Case No 26					
6. Mine Information													
a) Mining Company Name:		Hinesburg Sand & Gravel Company Inc											
b) Mine Name:		Home Pit and Mill											
c) Parent of Mining Company:		Timothy Casey											
7. Mine Location Information					8. Mine ID Number		9. Union						
a) City HINESBURG		b) County CHITTENDEN		c) State VT		43-00110		No					
10. Primary Mineral Mined Construction Sand & Gravel Mining, N.E.C.				11. Number of Employees									
				a) Total 15		b) Underground		c) Open Pit/Quarry 15		d) Mill/Prep Plant 0		e) Other 0	
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 15		b) Contractor Employees			a) Mine Employees		b) Contractor Employees						
19. Accident Location 03 - Open Pit								20. Mining Height					
								Feet		Inches			
21. Nonfatal Injuries		22. Fatal Injuries 1											
23. Victims Information													
Francis E Tatro													
a) First Name Francis		a) MI E	a) Last Name Tatro		b) Age 69	c) Regular Job Title Front end loader operator			d) Activity at Time of Accident Driving front end loader		Employee Mine Employee		
24. Mining Experience													
a) Total Experience 37 Years 12 Weeks 0 Days			b) Experience at the Mine 37 Years 12 Weeks 0 Days			c) Experience at the Activity at the Time of the Accident 37 Years 12 Weeks 0 Days			d) Experience with Contractor 0 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days				
25. Autopsy Performed No		If Yes, Location											
26. Mine Telephone No. (802) 482-2342													
27. Description of Accident (include equipment involved, the exact location in the mine, and status and recovery operations) An injury occurred at this mine on July 30, 2019. While driving a front end loader to another location in the pit, the loader bucket came into contact with the ground causing the loader to abruptly stop. The force of the bucket striking the ground resulted in the unrestrained miner impacting the loader's windshield. The victim was transported to the hospital with blunt force trauma injuries. The injured miner had been undergoing treatment for his injuries when he developed aspiration pneumonia and died on January 8, 2020. <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 Caterpillar					29. Model 966K								
30. District M2000 - Northeast District - Warrendale					32. Field Office M2881 - Albany NY Field Office			33. Event Number 6817204					
34. Accident Investigator													
First Name Matthew		MI H	Last Name Mattison										
35. MSHA Person Notified													
First Name Dennis		MI A	Last Name Yesko			Date/Time Notified 07/30/2019 2:56 PM							
36. Type of Report Amended		37. Name of Preparer			Date Prepared								
		Full Name Thomas E Rasmussen			02/25/2020								
38. Reason for Amendment MSHA's chargeability committee has determined that this was a chargeable fatality to the mining industry.													