Fatality Alert

MINE FATALITY – An over-the-road truck driver was found unresponsive near his bulk trailer, where it appears he fell from the top of the trailer. The driver was taken to the hospital and underwent emergency surgery; however, he passed away from his injuries.

Best Practices

1. **Provide a means to align bulk trailers** under truck racks to assure the ramp is aligned correctly with the trailer’s lids so that miners have safe access. Alignment methods can include painted lines, concrete barriers, cameras and monitors, or sensors to indicate proper positioning.
2. **Wear proper footwear** that is clean and in good condition.
3. **Examine work areas and routinely monitor work habits** to ensure that workers follow safe work procedures.
4. **Identify and control all hazards** associated with the work to be performed.

This is the 6th fatality reported in 2020, and the second fatality classified as “Slip or Fall of Person”

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