

Preliminary Report of Accident

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



PR001 08/14/2020

1. Accident Type F - Fatal Injury		2. Accident Classification 12 - Powered Haulage		3. Date/Time of Accident 07/29/2020 10:08 AM		4. Date/Time of Death 08/05/2020 9:30 PM		5. Fatal Case No FAI-6486652-1			
6. Mine Information											
a) Mining Company Name:		Fox Creek Aggregates									
b) Mine Name:		Gravel Pit									
c) Parent of Mining Company:		James S. Peterson									
7. Mine Location Information											
a) City MTN. GROVE			b) County Wright			c) State MO			8. Mine ID Number 23-02361		
9. Union No											
10. Primary Mineral Mined Gravel Mining					11. Number of Employees						
					a) Total 3	b) Underground		c) Open Pit/Quarry 2	d) Mill/Prep Plant 1	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 2		b) Contractor Employees			a) Mine Employees 0		b) Contractor Employees				
19. Accident Location 00 - Other Plant area of a Sand and Gravel Mine								20. Mining Height 3 Feet 0 Inches			
21. Nonfatal Injuries 0		22. Fatal Injuries 1									
23. Victims Information											
Matt G Blanchette											
a) First Name Matt	a) MI G	a) Last Name Blanchette		b) Age 63	c) Regular Job Title Plant Operator		d) Activity at Time of Accident Plant Operator		Employee Mine Employee		
24. Mining Experience											
a) Total Experience 6 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days		b) Experience at the Mine 6 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days			c) Experience at the Activity at the Time of the Accident 6 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days			d) Experience with Contractor 0 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days			
25. Autopsy Performed No		If Yes, Location									
26. Mine Telephone No.											
27. Description of Accident (include equipment involved, the exact location in the mine, and status and recovery operations)											
A front-end loader operator was attempting to clear a buildup of sand from a stacker conveyor belt's tailpiece when his arm became entangled. The victim was air lifted to a trauma center where he died a week later.											
<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 Not listed Hydraulic operated conveyor					29. Model na						
30. District C1000 - Madisonville District					32. Field Office C1004 - Rolla MO Field Office			33. Event Number 6486652			
34. Accident Investigator											
First Name Michael		MI R	Last Name VanDorn								
35. MSHA Person Notified											
First Name David		MI	Last Name West			Date/Time Notified 08/07/2020 12:03 PM					
36. Type of Report Initial		37. Name of Preparer			Date Prepared						
		Full Name Michael R VanDorn			Date Prepared 08/12/2020						
38. Reason for Amendment											