## Preliminary Report of Accident

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

### 1. Accident Type
F - Fatal Injury

### 2. Accident Classification
10 - Handtools

### 3. Date/Time of Accident
05/21/2020 12:30 PM

### 4. Date/Time of Death
05/23/2020 3:54 AM

### 5. Fatal Case No
FAI--4471998-1

### 6. Mine Information
- **Mining Company Name:** Bluff City Minerals LLC
- **Mine Name:** Bluff City Minerals
- **Parent of Mining Company:** Fred Weber, Inc.

### 7. Mine Location Information
- **City:** Alton  
- **County:** Madison  
- **State:** IL

### 8. Mine ID Number
11-00122

### 9. Union
Yes

### 10. Primary Mineral Mined
Crushed & Broken Limestone Mining, N.E.C.

### 11. Number of Employees
- **Total:** 51
- **Underground:** 29
- **Open Pit/Quarry:** 22

### 12. Contractor Name

### 13. Contractor Union

### 14. Contractor ID Number

### 15. Contractor Address
- **City:**  
- **County:**  
- **State:**  
- **Zip Code:**

### 16. Number of Contractor Employees
- **Total:**  
- **Underground:**  
- **Open Pit/Quarry:**  
- **Mill/Prep Plant:**  
- **Other:**

### 17. Number of Persons in Mine at Time of Accident
- **Mine Employees:** 18
- **Contractor Employees:**

### 18. Number of Persons Unaccounted for
- **Mine Employees:** 0
- **Contractor Employees:**

### 19. Accident Location
01 - Underground

### 20. Mining Height
70 Feet  
0 Inches

### 21. Nonfatal Injuries
0

### 22. Fatal Injuries
1

### 23. Victims Information

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<th>John C Corbin</th>
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<td><strong>First Name</strong>: John</td>
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<td><strong>MI</strong>: C</td>
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<td><strong>Last Name</strong>: Corbin</td>
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<td><strong>Age</strong>: 60</td>
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<td><strong>Regular Job Title</strong>: Plant Maintenance</td>
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<td><strong>Activity at Time of Accident</strong>: Removing electric motor</td>
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<td><strong>Employee</strong>: Mine Employee</td>
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### 24. Mining Experience
- **Total Experience:** 27 Years 9 Weeks Days
- **Experience at the Mine:** 19 Years 39 Weeks Days
- **Experience at the Activity at the Time of the Accident:** 8 Years 20 Weeks Days
- **Experience with Contractor:**

### 25. Autopsy Performed
Yes  
If Yes, Location: O'Fallon, Illinois

### 26. Mine Telephone No.
(618) 474-0271

### 27. Description of Accident (include equipment involved, the exact location in the mine, and status and recovery operations)
Two miners were working to remove a 100 horsepower electric motor. They attached a 3/4 ton come-along to a steel pipe that was overhead. A chain hoist was attached between the lifting eye of the electric motor to pull the motor. As the two miners were moving the electric motor off of the motor base, the overhead steel pipe slid forward and fell striking the victim in the head and back. The victim was driven to a local hospital for treatment. The victim was treated and released from the hospital on 5/21/2020 however, he was later hospitalized on 5/23/2020 where he passed away.

*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.*

### 28. Equipment Manufacturer

### 29. Model

### 30. District
C0800 - Vincennes District

### 32. Field Office
C0803 - Litchfield IL Field Office

### 33. Event Number
4471998

### 34. Accident Investigator

| First Name: Bub |
| **MI**: |
| **Last Name**: Whitfield |

### 35. MSHA Person Notified

| First Name: Chad |
| **MI**: |
| **Last Name**: Lampley |
| **Date/Time Notified**: 05/23/2020 8:09 AM |

### 36. Type of Report
Initial

### 37. Name of Preparer

| Full Name: Bub Whitfield |
| **Date Prepared**: 05/27/2020 |

### 38. Reason for Amendment

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