

# STAND DOWN TO SAVE LIVES

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**Powered Haulage** fatalities and accidents are preventable. Powered haulage equipment includes haul and service trucks, front-end loaders, scoops, and load-haul-dumps (LHDs). Here are some best practices to help you Stay Alert to Stay Alive:

## **Know and Follow the Site Management Plan**

- Know haul road traffic patterns and stay on your side of the road.
- Avoid driving in reverse whenever possible.
- Keep small equipment away from large equipment.
- Avoid parking in haul truck load and dump zones.
- Create safe zones around large equipment. Park only in safe zones.
- Maximize the width of haul roads.
- Large equipment always has the right of way.
- If you must approach large equipment, first make eye contact or radio contact with the operator.

## **Know Blind Spots**

- **DO NOT ASSUME** large equipment operators can see you or smaller equipment.
- Before moving, large equipment operators need to know if other equipment or vehicles are near.
- When operating large equipment, use your radio to communicate with WHAT to receive an **ALL CLEAR** signal before moving.

## **To Stay Safe**

- Identify small equipment using whips, flashing lights, or other visibility devices.
- Stay focused: Distracted driving is not acceptable on highways or mine property.
- Avoid drowsy driving. **NEVER** drive under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- **ALWAYS** keep back-up alarms and horns operational.
- Operators: Blow horn and pause before moving stopped equipment. Follow site protocol for the number of horn blasts for forward or reverse.
- Consider collision warning technologies and added safety features, such as cameras, sensors and radar.

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