

MNMM Fatal 2008-01

- Fall of Person Accident
- January 21, 2008 (California)
- Cement Operation
- Contractor Truck Driver
- 58 years old
- 3 years experience

Overview

The victim was fatally injured when he fell from the top of a bulk cement trailer to the ground below. He was on top of the trailer closing and securing the hatches after the trailer was loaded with cement.



Causal Factor

- Management did not provide equipment or establish policies and procedures to ensure contract truck drivers could safely open and close the hatches on their bulk trailers.

Best Practices

- Discuss work procedures; identify all potential hazards; and ensure the job is done safely. (SLAM) Stop, Look, Analyze, and Manage.
- Train all miners to recognize hazards from falling and ensure that safe work procedures are discussed and established.
- Ensure that persons wear fall protection where there is a danger of falling.
- Establish traffic patterns that ensure safe alignment of vehicles with access equipment.