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#### **Welding and Cutting Alert**

## **INJURIES HURT!**

### We are not reducing the most common types of injuries!

Welding and cutting accidents are responsible for a significant number of injuries\*\* at mine sites:

| 144 Incidents                         |                                     |                                   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| (43 were lost time)                   | Injury                              | Safe Work Procedures              |
| <b>Burns-contact with source (55)</b> | 8 burns were to the ankle or foot.  | Secure your boot tops!            |
|                                       | 5 burns were to the outer and inner | Cover your ears!                  |
|                                       | ears.                               |                                   |
| Struck by Object (42)                 | 11 struck by were to feet and legs. | Secure material prior to cutting! |
|                                       | 6 struck by were to head and torso. |                                   |
| Flash burn (31)                       | Protect Your Eyes!!!                | All were avoidable by donning     |
|                                       |                                     | appropriate PPE prior to task!    |

# All are preventable!

### **USE PPE PROPERLY!**

**SLAM Risks:** 

Stop - Look - Analyze - Manage

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<sup>\*\*</sup> Statistics used are for January –December 2007 metal and nonmetal mining industry (including Contractors). Metal and nonmetal mine operators provide the raw data to MSHA as required by 30 C.F.R. § 50.20, *Preparation and submission of MSHA report Form 7000-1—Mine Accident, Injury, and Illness Report.*