



Weekly Summary of Dangerous Occurrences

Sharing safety with the mining industry



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Dangerous Occurrences Reported for the Week of Aug 30 to Sept 05, 2021

#1 4673 Out of Control Vehicle: While attempting to park a dozer, the operator backed off the edge of a coal berm (approximately 3 meters). The dozer came to rest on its side. No injuries were reported.

#2 4674 Stoppage of Ventilation: Miners reported an unplanned stoppage of underground fans to an electrician working in the vicinity. The electrician investigated and found incorrect voltages, the supervisor was notified, and the mine was evacuated. The electrician continued their investigation and found a failed transformer at a substation.

#3 4675 Blasting Operations: During a health and safety inspection, two misfires were discovered at a site where blasting occurred seven days prior. The blaster in charge had failed to place an eight-meter barricade as required by regulation and notify the mine manager.

#4 4676 Out of Control Vehicle: While attempting to back up a dozer, the right track drove up onto the slope of an existing cut. This caused the dozer to slowly tip 90 degrees to the left and onto the equipment's left side. No injuries were reported.

Comments:

All mine operators should be familiar with the requirements of reporting Dangerous occurrences.

Manager's Responsibility

1.7.1 (1) In the event of

(a) any accident resulting in loss of life, or

(b) any dangerous occurrence as specified in section 1.7.3, the manager shall inform an inspector, the OHSC, and the local union or worker representative as soon as practicable, but no later than 4 hours after an event under paragraph (a) or 16 hours after an event under paragraph (b), and within one week send a written notification to an inspector for an event under paragraph (a) or (b).