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# Weekly Summary of Dangerous Occurrences

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## Dangerous Occurrences Reported for the Week of January 3 to 9, 2022

**#1 Underground Ventilation:** Operations were temporarily stopped while electricians diagnosed and repaired a malfunctioned exhaust fan.

**#2 Surface Electrical:** Three workers were sent to a pumphouse to extend a discharge line for a portable seepage pump. While removing vegetation around the pump house with a reciprocating saw, a worker cut into a 600-volt cable, mistaken for a branch, causing the breaker to trip. No injuries were reported.

**#3 Surface Mobile Equipment:** While working on an elevated pad to clear haul truck boxes, an excavator reversed to reposition, causing the material below the machine to slough and the excavator to roll onto its right side. No injuries were reported.

**#4 Underground Ventilation:** A site-wide power outage caused the ventilation to stop for approximately 30 minutes.

**#5 Surface Mobile Equipment:** A loaded haul truck began to slide after turning onto a road and slid approximately 150 metres before contacting a berm and spinning it around.

### **Comments:**

Ensure energized equipment and lines are identified and isolated before commencing work, where workers may be exposed to electrical hazards.