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# Weekly Summary of Dangerous Occurrences

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**Dangerous Occurrences**

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## Dangerous Occurrences Reported for the Week of May 9 to 15, 2022

- #1: Mobile Equipment Maintenance:** While working on a grader, a mechanic used an overhead crane to lift a motor. While lifting, the sling caught on a work light bracket. The excessive tension caused the rigging to fail and cut the mechanic's hand.
- #2: Underground Ventilation:** A power generation station fault caused a power outage, resulting in an underground ventilation stoppage.
- #3: Underground Geotechnical:** A chimney breakout occurred on the hillside east of the main portal.
- #4: Underground Ventilation:** A fault at the diesel generator station caused a power outage, resulting in an underground ventilation stoppage.
- #5: Surface Explosives:** While pushing material near a wash plant, a dozer operator observed an unexploded booster.
- #6: Surface Drilling:** An operator was injured when the GPS control box located in the cab exploded, injuring the operator's neck and face. The worker was taken for a medical assessment.
- #7: Surface Mobile Equipment:** While dumping, a raised, loaded end-dump trailer was hit with a gust of wind, causing the hydraulic arm to break and the dump body to fall over. No injuries were reported.
- #8: Surface Fire:** A conveyor caught fire after a head pulley broke, causing the belt to rub, igniting the rubber and grease.
- #9: Mill Maintenance:** A nut and bolt fell while removing it from a mill with a torch, striking a worker below. The worker was struck in the chest, resulting in the wind being knocked out of them.
- #10: Surface Explosives:** An excavator operator observed an unexploded booster while moving material.

### **Comments:**

**When live explosives are found, ensure qualified workers and an approved safe work procedure are utilized to secure the area and safely dispose of the explosive device.**