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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 16 to 22, 2022

#1: Underground Mobile Equipment: A diesel pickup caught fire while heading up the ramp after leaking brake fluid dripped onto the exhaust. The vehicle's fire suppression system was activated by a worker, successfully extinguishing the fire.

#2: Surface Explosives: A drone survey revealed that a power cable feeding a drill was dragged across the corner of a blast pattern, including three loaded holes. The pattern was not tied in; however, four downlines were severed.

#3: Underground Mobile Equipment: A tunnel excavator's exhaust filter caught fire while travelling from the main portal to the main laydown. The fire was extinguished with a handheld fire extinguisher.

#4: Surface explosives: An unexploded booster was found in the bucket of a shovel.

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.