

Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation

Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents

Sharing safety with the mining industry



- **1.** Surface Dangerous Gas: The operator of a heavy-duty vehicle smelled exhaust, developed symptoms, and was sent to medical aid.
- 2. Surface Working at Height with Mobile Equipment: A crane was being used to test lift a shovel's dipper bucket when the bucket unexpectedly moved towards the crane outrigger stopping approximately 4 ft away.
- 3. Surface Ignition/Explosion of gas or dust: An explosion occurred in a dryer building.
- **4.** Surface Mobile Equipment Collision: A haul truck backed into a dozer and began to lift the truck box for a dump but stopped before any material fell onto the dozer.
- 5. Surface Mobile Equipment: A dozer flattening the top of an 8m high stockpile approached the outside crest when the slope failed.
- 6. Surface Explosives: A dozer was pushing a pattern when it encountered a booster and powder.
- 7. Surface Ignition/Explosion of gas or dust: An explosion occurred in a dryer building.
- 8. Surface Mobile Equipment Fire: The exhaust blanket on a haul truck caught fire after being sprayed with hydraulic fluid from a failed line. The fire was extinguished by mine rescue.
- 9. Explosives: A detonator was found in a laundry hamper

Comments: Direct-reading instruments for gas detection and monitoring are useful tools to alert workers to potentially hazardous conditions. For proper use consult the manufacturer's manual and follow their recommendations for instrument calibration and testing.