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# Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents

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**Reportable Incidents**

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## Incidents Reported for the Week of May 8 to 14, 2023

1. **Surface Autonomous Mobile Equipment:** Damage to an autonomous haul truck was found after it was called down for a steering fault. Upon video review, five haul trucks had driven over a spill rock that was not detected by their optical detection system and damage was caused to one other haul truck.
2. **Surface Fire:** Smoldering material and high CO readings were identified in a plant during an inspection. The area was evacuated and secured, and mine rescue responded.
3. **Underground Falling Objects:** A 4m diameter raise bore reamer broke free of the drill string falling 155m.
4. **Surface Autonomous Mobile Equipment Fire:** A dozer operator noticed an engine fire on an autonomous haul truck. The fire was extinguished by manually activating the fire suppression system.
5. **Surface Fire:** A 600V breaker inside a sump pump cabinet failed causing a bang, flames and smoke. Power was taken off-line, and an extinguisher was used to put out the fire.
6. **Surface Mobile Equipment Collision:** A dozer backed into a haul truck.

**Comments:** Preventing fires is best but where the risk of fire remains implement fire protection measures including a fire safety plan. For more information visit the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety, CCOHS: Fire Protection.