



# Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents

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**Reportable Incidents**

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## Incidents Reported for the Week of June 5<sup>th</sup> to June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023

- 1. Autonomous Surface Mobile Equipment:** An autonomous haul truck applied its ABS (automatic braking system), but lost traction and slid 90 metres before stopping perpendicular to its lane.
- 2. Surface Explosives:** An excavator was digging in a previously blasted stockpile when a stick of dynamite detonated in front of the excavator bucket, deflecting the blast but cracking the machine's window.
- 3. Chemical Exposure:** Three workers were in a building when ozone (O<sub>3</sub>) area monitors alarmed. All workers evacuated the building.
- 4. Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** An operator started a haul truck after their break, when a fellow operator noticed flames coming from the right rear area. The haul truck operator exited the machine and Mine Rescue was dispatched.
- 5. Surface Autonomous Mobile Equipment:** An autonomous truck drifted, contacting the roadside berm, damaging the front of the truck.
- 6. Chemical Exposure:** A worker was in a building when their hydrogen sulphide monitors alarmed, triggering a plant evacuation.
- 7. Chemical Exposure:** Two workers were breaking up frozen material when they were exposed to a surfactant dewatering aid. Both workers reported to medical aid for their symptoms.

**Comments:** Ensure that gas detectors are appropriate for the environment, calibrated and tested to confirm proper working order prior to being used.