



Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents

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Incidents Reported for the Week of October 16th to 22nd, 2023.

1. **Surface Operations:** An employee was standing near a metal magnet of a jaw crusher when the magnet and metal conveyor turned on, trapping the employee.
2. **Surface Misfire:** A dozer moving material found a primer and booster.
3. **Surface Blasting:** A blaster was working with two trucks loading blast holes. The blaster placed a primer assembly next to a hole for one truck, but it did not get loaded and was left on the ground.
4. **Surface Operations:** A worker complained of lower back discomfort. A few hours later, they stepped off a drill pad and immediately felt pain, muscle spasms, and could not walk. The worker was transported to medical care.
5. **Surface Operations:** Two field mechanics attempted to remove the upper hoist cylinder pin on a haul truck. A chain was attached to a telehandler forklift, and when tension was applied, the chain failed and damaged the forklift's windshield.
6. **Surface Operations:** A worker was replacing the front left steer tire of a grader when the tire lost air pressure. The lock ring and bead band released and struck the employee, resulting in facial lacerations.
7. **Surface Operations:** Workers were moving a pre-tied rebar wall mat using a crane. During the transfer, the load shifted, and a worker was caught between the rebar mat and form dowels. The worker was transferred to the hospital, where no injuries were found, and the worker was cleared for regular duties.
8. **Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A scraper on a crush pile became angled causing it to tip over. Mine rescue was dispatched; the worker safely exited the machine.
9. **Surface Misfire:** A dozer operator came within 8 metres of a known, unmarked misfire.
10. **Surface Misfire:** A primed booster was uncovered by a machine digging in a pattern.
11. **Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** A haul truck operator noticed smoke coming out the exhaust. The truck was shut down; a fire was found in the engine compartment, which the operator extinguished.
12. **Surface Mobile Equipment Collision:** A haul truck backed into the front railing of another haul truck.

Comments: A blaster shall identify any misfired holes in accordance with the Code s8.6.5 and misfire locations shall be recorded by a shiftboss in the daily examination and report book, as per the Code s8.6.6.