

Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents

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Incidents Reported for the Week of October 30th to November 5th, 2023.

- 1. **Underground Mobile Equipment:** A worker was moving a vehicle to the surface for repairs when the vehicle lost rearwheel drive. The rear axle was glowing hot, and workers deployed a fire extinguisher.
- 2. Surface Mobile Equipment: A rock truck with a raised box contacted a ground wire, snapping it and causing a failure in the live wires above.
- 3. Surface Mobile Equipment Fire: A worker observed a fire in the grid box of a haul truck. Mine rescue responded.
- **4. Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A loaded haul truck was travelling down a haul road and lost traction. The truck began to slide and contacted a berm, damaging the battery box and a handrail.
- 5. Underground Ventilation Stoppage: A BC-Hydro-related incident caused a stoppage in ventilation.
- 6. Underground Mobile Equipment Out of Control: A worker in a light-duty vehicle was travelling up a ramp and pulled over to allow a haul truck to pass. The light-duty vehicle did not fit in the cutout and backed across the ramp to another cutout; they lost brake pressure, and the vehicle rolled down the side of the ramp ~10 metres, coming to rest at the side of the wall.
- **7. Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover:** A loaded articulated haul truck was approaching an intersection at the bottom of the ramp when the box tipped over.
- **8. Surface Operations Dust Explosion:** During a controlled shutdown, a dryer experienced a positive pressure condition. The relief vents opened and functioned as designed.
- 9. Surface Operations: Workers near a dam noticed recently placed liner material on fire and extinguished it.

Comments: Seasonal weather changes will impact operations in many ways. Ensure mobile equipment is winterized, and operators have the competencies for the equipment and conditions.