

## **Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents**

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## Incidents Reported for the Week of September 11th to 17th, 2023

- 1. **Surface Blasting:** Six boosters were found.
- 2. Surface Mobile Equipment Collision: A haul truck backed into a shovel.
- 3. **Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** A haul truck operator noticed flames from the left rear wheel motor. The operator was able to pull out of the way and notify dispatch.
- 4. **Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover:** Two workers at a mine camp rolled a UTV. Both had helmets but no seatbelts. The passenger hurt their foot/ankle and was med-evacuated.
- 5. **Underground Fall of Ground:** A fall of ground, approximately 125 tonnes was found in the same area that workers were drilling the previous shift.
- 6. Surface Autonomous Mobile Equipment: A fire was noted on an autonomous truck and it was stopped and attended to.
- 7. Surface Maintenance: A mechanic was jacking up a crew bus on uneven ground when the jack tipped.
- 8. **Surface Falling Objects:** A worker was in the ball-mill area when an approximately 12" piece of 15mm rebar fell 8' approximately from above and grazed the worker's hard hat.
- 9. **Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A light-duty vehicle was approaching an intersection; the operator applied the brake pedal completely to the floor but the truck crossed the intersection before it came to a stop.
- 10. **Surface Blasting:** An excavator entered an area that was drilled. Upon entering the operator determined that the first row of holes was being pre-laid with explosives and stopped.
- 11. **Surface Fire:** Workers observed smoke coming from the concentrate storage shed. The mill was successfully evacuated. Mine rescue responded. There was a hot spot in the con shed and sulphur dioxide was discovered.
- 12. **Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** The operator of a haul truck observed that both a battery and propulsion light had come on and there was a smell of smoke. The lead hand and truck operator put out the fire with one extinguisher.
- 13. **Surface Gas Exposure:** A worker was investigating a gas line end cap when the coupling began to move off and the gas pressure blew the cap off the line.
- 14. Surface Explosives: A shovel was digging in the pit when it uncovered an undetonated booster.
- 15. **Surface Exploration:** A helicopter pilot was winding their long-line on the road while landing at a fueling station. When setting down on the road, 2 m off of a small bridge, the tail rotor of the helicopter struck the guard rail on the bridge.
- 16. Surface Mobile Equipment Collision: While cleaning up around the shovel, a dozer was struck by shovel counterweight.
- 17. Surface Falling Object: A 35cm round river rock was dislodged from a work area above and struck a vehicle tire.
- 18. **Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** A drill operator noticed a fire in the engine compartment. The automatic fire suppression deployed and extinguished the fire.

Comments: Chief Inspector of Mines issues ATV/UTV Hazard Alert.