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Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents

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Reportable Incidents

10

Incidents Reported for the Week of January 1st to 7th, 2024

- 1. Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** The operator of a haul truck noticed flames coming from their grid box. The operator pulled over and mine rescue attended.
- 2. Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover:** Once loaded, a haul truck began pulling away. The truck contacted a soft spot, causing the load to shift and tipping the box onto its side.
- 3. Surface Mobile Equipment Unexpected Movement/Out of Control:** A haul truck was positioned under a shovel to be loaded when the bucket rapidly lowered onto the tail of the truck, lifting the box into the air. The box lowered, and the truck rolled forward, jarring the operator, resulting in a sore head and neck.
- 4. Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** A worker refueled a generator located on the deck of an excavator. When the worker attempted to start the generator, a fire started on the back of the unit and was then extinguished.
- 5. Surface Chemical Exposure:** While removing a plug from a hydraulic line on a crusher, the plug was blown from its fitting. Two workers were sprayed with hydraulic oil and were exposed to the plug as a projectile.
- 6. Surface Operations:** While stringing up a cable for a pole arch base with a bucket loaded, a rope and hand brake failed, propelling the brake assembly across the road.
- 7. Surface Mobile Equipment:** While completing a multi-point turn to turn a light duty vehicle around, the rear tire went over an edge of the road where a berm was missing.
- 8. Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A haul truck slid, rotating 180 degrees, ending in the opposite lane.
- 9. Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover:** A loaded haul truck went into overspeed, and the operator used a runaway ramp. While backing down the ramp, the operator turned the wheels and spiked the service brake to slow the truck, when it slowly tipped onto its side.
- 10. Surface Autonomous Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** An autonomous haul truck entered the opposite lane and did not change its course of travel.

Comments: Pressurized hydraulic fluid is common on mine sites. Puncture wounds resulting from injection of a high-pressure substance is a serious injury, which may not be immediately apparent. Read "[High Pressure Injection Wounds](#)" for more information.