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Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents

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Reportable Incidents

18

Incidents Reported March 16th to 22nd, 2026

- 1. Underground Ventilation Stoppage:** A mine experienced an unplanned stoppage of the underground ventilation fans but restored after 25 minutes.
- 2. Surface Electrical Shock:** An electrician received an electrical shock while servicing cable for the dart hoist at the spitter box. The worker was assessed at first aid and was transported for medical aid.
- 3. Surface Geotechnical In-rush of water, debris, or mud:** A mine reported a rockslide occurred near the hoist building area, resulting in flooding inside the hoist house.
- 4. Surface Mobile Equipment Collision:** A loader reversed into a parked haul truck, damaging the fuel tank. The spill was contained.
- 5. Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** During a pre-shift inspection, a shovel operator noticed smoke and an odour inside the house and cab. Mine rescue responded and extinguished the fire.
- 6. Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A fuel truck travelling toward pit slid and contacted the berm.
- 7. Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A crew bus rolled backward into berm while turning into a parking lot.
- 8. Surface Electrical Shock:** An electrician received an electrical shock while accessing an electrical box on a power pole.
- 9. Surface Electrical Arc Flash:** A worker was working inside E-house when a 600-volt, 60-amp breaker produced a flash, loud noise, and smoke.
- 10. Surface Electrical Shock:** A worker received an electrical shock while working on a switch house for drill that had lost power. The injured worker was transported for medical aid due to burn to the chest, arm, and finger.
- 11. Surface Mobile Equipment Collision:** A light vehicle escorting a loaded tractor trailer veered while approaching a stop sign, contacted, and ran over a concrete barrier before stopping. Mine rescue responded, and the worker was assessed at first aid for a thump sprain.
- 12. Surface Geotechnical In-rush of water, debris, or mud:** A mine reported a landslide occurred at the mine entry and access road.

13. **Surface Mobile Equipment Collision:** A light vehicle slid through an intersection and came to rest in a ditch. While backing out, a water truck approaching the same intersection slid downhill and contacted the side of the light vehicle. One worker reported back soreness.
14. **Surface Geotechnical In-rush of water, debris, or mud:** A mine reported a geotechnical incident resulted in a washout at a dormant backfill site.
15. **Surface Mobile Equipment Autonomous:** A loaded autonomous haul truck's tire blew after leaving a shovel.
16. **Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A loaded haul truck slid, spun, contacted the berm, and came to a stop.
17. **Surface Dust, Fumes & Gasses Flammable Gas:** An excavator was removing snow from a shipping container when the snow fell onto and damaged a propane line.
18. **Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** A loaded haul truck's grid box caught fire. The fire was extinguished by mine rescue.

Comments: Electricity presents a significant risk of serious injury or death. Any work on or near energized equipment must only be performed when effective measures are in place to protect workers from electrical shock and/or thermal burns. Electrical equipment must be installed, maintained, and operated in accordance with Code Section 5.1.1.