

MNMM Fatal 2005-29

- Powered Haulage
- October 18, 2005 (New Mexico)
- Underground Potash Mine
- Utility Worker
- 36 years old
- 2 year, 48 weeks mining experience

Overview

The victim was fatally injured when a utility water truck rolled onto him. He parked the truck on a grade and went to connect a pump cable.

Apparently the truck began to drift and the victim attempted to stop it but was pinned beneath one of the wheels.



Causal Factors

- Administrative controls needed improvement. The victim left the water truck unattended and failed to set the parking brake. The truck was parked on a grade and the wheels were not chocked or turned into the rib.

Best Practices

- Stop, Look, Analyze, and Manage (SLAM) each task to identify all potential hazards.
- Set the parking brake before exiting mobile equipment.
- Do not attempt to stop moving equipment after you have exited the vehicle.
- When parking mobile equipment on a grade, chock the wheels or turn them into a rib.