

# MNMM Fatal 2007-03

- Non-Powered Haulage Accident
- February 19, 2007 (North Carolina)
- Crushed Stone Operation
- Truck Driver
- 50 years old
- 16 years experience

# Overview

The victim was fatally injured when he was crushed between a rail car and a haul truck. The victim was positioned at the brake platform on the leading end of two loaded rail cars that he was dropping on a side track. The rail cars struck the haul truck that was crossing the track.



# Root Cause

Management policies, procedures, and controls to ensure the safe movement of traffic were not monitored adequately. The truck driver did not stop at the rail spur as required by company policy.

# Best Practices

- Establish an effective means to restrict access of self-propelled mobile equipment at railroad crossings when rail cars are being moved.
- Stop, Look, Analyze, and Manage, SLAM each task to identify all potential hazards. Require mobile equipment operators to stop, look and listen before they cross rail tracks.
- Provide task training that focuses on the specific hazards inherent to dropping cars.
- Establish an effective method of controlling track mounted equipment while in motion.