

# MNM Fatal 2012-03

- Fall of Person Accident
- February 22, 2012 (Florida)
- Crushed Stone Operation
- Maintenance Mechanic
- 46 years old
- 7 years of experience

# Overview

The victim suffered injuries on February 22, 2012, from a fall of 16 feet from an elevated walkway of a conveyor to the ground below. He and a coworker, positioned on the other side of the belt, were bolting a snubber pulley in place. The victim was hospitalized and died on February 26, 2012, as a result of injuries sustained from the fall.

The accident occurred due to management's failure to ensure persons wear fall protection where there is a danger of falling. The victim was not wearing fall protection.



# Root Causes

*Root Cause:* Management did not monitor persons to ensure established safe procedures were followed. The victim was not wearing fall protection while working on conveyor walkways where there is a danger of falling.

*Corrective Action:* Management established procedures requiring persons be monitored to ensure fall protection is worn where a potential falling hazard exists. All persons were trained in these new procedures.

# Best Practices

- Establish and discuss safe work procedures. Before starting any work, identify and control all hazards.
- Train all persons to recognize and understand safe job procedures, including the proper use of fall protection.
- Always use fall protection when working where a fall hazard exists.
- Install railings or cables when persons are required to work or travel near the edge of a structure.