



Fatality #13 - November 7, 2011
Machinery - Construction Sand and Gravel
Anderson Sand & Gravel - Anderson Sand & Gravel

METAL/NONMETAL MINE FATALITY - On November 7, 2011, an 82 year-old owner/crusher operator with 27 years of experience was killed at a surface crushed stone operation. The victim was attempting to dislodge material from the vibrating feed hopper when he slipped or fell into the operating jaw crusher.



Best Practices

- Establish policies and procedures for safely clearing plugged material in a feed hopper. Evaluate design modifications or use auxiliary equipment to reduce the risks associated with clearing an obstruction.
- Ensure that persons are task trained and understand the hazards associated with the work being performed.
- Deenergize and Lock-out/tag-out all power sources before working on crushers.
- Provide and maintain a safe means of access to all working places.

This is the 13th fatality reported in calendar year 2011 in the metal and nonmetal mining industries. As of this date in 2010, there were 18 fatalities reported in these industries. This is the 2nd Machinery fatality in 2011. There were 2 Machinery fatalities in the same period in 2010.

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