REPORTABLE INCIDENTS | WHS MINES LEGISLATION

Weekly incident summary

14 September 2016

Note: While the majority of incidents are reported and recorded within a week of the event, some are notified outside this time period. The incidents in this report therefore have not necessarily occurred in a one week period. All newly recorded incidents, whatever the incident date, are reviewed by the Chief Inspector and senior staff each week. For more comprehensive statistical data refer to our Annual Performance Measures Reports.

To report an incident call 1300 814 609 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Reportable incidents total: 34    Summarised Incidents: 4

Summarised Incidents – incidents of note for which operators should consider the comments provided and determine if action needs to be taken.

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<th>Incident type</th>
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<td>Cl 103 Explosives Regulation SInNot 2016/0358</td>
<td>Notification of serious incidents involving explosives or explosive precursors. A stemming truck was driven over a booster.</td>
<td>All sites should have a traffic management plan/JHA specific to every shot to ensure control of vehicles in that work area. The plan should include reference to which vehicles should be allowed into the area and where and when they should be operating.</td>
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<td>Dangerous incident SInNot 2016/0350</td>
<td>A water truck collided with the conveyor on a mobile screen.</td>
<td>Operators of mobile plant need to pay particular attention to the position of other mobile equipment before moving a vehicle.</td>
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<td>High potential incident SInNot 2016/0346</td>
<td>Suspected air injection injury to the hand/arm of an operator arising from the failure of a threaded connection of an inline lubricating bottle connected to a hand operated pneumatic nut runner. Initial investigation by the mine has revealed the lubricator fitting has unscrewed out of the nut runner as no inline flexible swivel fitting was installed.</td>
<td>Mines should check equipment is fit-for-purpose and set up correctly for each application. Pneumatic hand tools should be fitted with inline flexible fittings which reduces the likelihood of threaded connections unscrewing. Threaded connections fitted with anti-tampering devices such as tape should be designed in a manner to make it obvious to the end user that the thread has commenced to rotate.</td>
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<td>Serious injury SInNot 2016/0334</td>
<td>While adjusting the tynes of a forklift a worker’s fingers were caught in the pinch point between a tyne and the back board of the forklift.</td>
<td>Mines should ensure that pinch points around forklift tynes are clearly identified and that forklift tynes are regularly maintained and lubricated and can be safely repositioned by a single operator.</td>
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Recent incident publications

No recent incident notifications.

You can find all our incident related publications (i.e. safety alerts, safety bulletins, incident information releases, weekly incident summaries and investigation reports) on our website.

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