

Confined Space Fatalities From OSHA Weekly Fatality Reports
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OSHA began releasing weekly fatality reports in July of 2009. These are fatalities involving confined spaces taken from those reports. The majority involve work inside a confined space. There are some that involve work on or near a space and there are a few that may not actually involve confined spaces. Trenching and most mine fatalities are not included.

12/27/2012 Pope Douglas Solid Waste, Alexandria, MN 56308
Worker was crushed by a compactor after pressure developed during repairs.

12/22/2012 Intat Precision Inc., Rushville, IN 46173
Worker died after being caught in augers while inside the national mold recirculating cooler.

11/29/2012 Phoenix Industrial Cleaning, Whelling, IL 60090
Employee died after falling from a ladder while attempting to exit a chemical storage tank.

7/12/2012 Adonis Bronze, Alpine, UT 84004
Worker was struck and killed by the door on a pressure vessel.

10/22/2012 American Rice Growers, Raywood, TX 77582
Worker died after falling 60 feet through a grain elevator opening.

10/03/2012 Brahma Group Inc., Bakersfield, CA 93308
Worker cleaning the inside of a water tank killed when floor beneath him collapsed.

9/21/2012 Silver Bullet Production, Acton, CA 93510
Worker drowned while cleaning a large water tank.

9/13/2012 Fisher Industries, Interstate 80 East Bound, Mile Post 392, NV 89521
Worker making repairs to a tire compactor was crushed between the compactor and a drum roller.

9/10/2012 Willman Industries Inc., Cedar Grove, WI 53013
Employee was crushed after being caught in a molding machine.

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9/7/2012 J.R. Resources LP, Ringgold, PA 15570

Worker pumping fluid out of a plastic tank died when the tank exploded.

8/22/2012 David Girard Vineyard, Placerville, CA 95667

Worker at a vineyard was crushed in a wine press.

8/21/2012 Yumoto Company Ltd, Dechard, TN 37324

Worker at an automobile assembly plant was crushed in machine.

8/16/2012 Bacardi Bottling Corp., Jacksonville, FL 32218

Worker cleaning up broken glass at a bottling plant died after being crushed by a machine that molds materials into pellet shapes.

8/1/2012 Golden State Elevators Inc., Paramount, CA 90723

Worker performing repairs to an elevator fell 26 feet.

7/25/2012 Next Specialty Resins, Addison, MI 49220

Worker at a plastics recycling plant died after falling into an industrial grinding machine.

7/24/2012 Bankston Creek Land Trust, Norris City, IL 62869

Four workers welding a swab tank were burned when an explosion occurred.

7/17/2012 Inland Systems Incorporated, Tomahawk, WI 54487

Worker cleaning an ash silo died from burns received by flying ash.

7/1/2012 Thornton Drilling Company, Andrews, TX 79714

Worker power washing a water tank was electrocuted when the power cords arced.

6/17/2012 Food Business Inc., dba Germantown Café East, Nashville, TN 37206

Restaurant worker died from suffocation after becoming trapped in a walk-in cooler.

6/13/2012 Scruggs Equipment Company, Memphis, TN 38113

Worker was killed when a garbage truck he was working on activated, pinning his head.

6/09/2012 Recycling Services of Indiantown LLC, Indiantown, FL 34956

Worker using a torch to cut a propane tank died from burns suffered when the propane ignited, causing a fire.

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6/19/2012 Sky Brand Services, Arvin, CA 93203

Worker dismantling pipes on an oil tanker was killed when the tank exploded.

6/05/2012 Renewed Earth, Otsego, MI 49078

Worker operating a screening machine was killed when he was pulled into the machine.

6/02/2012 L-Con Inc., Houston, TX 77015

Worker welding a pipeline that once contained crude oil died when an explosion occurred.

5/08/2012 Sinclair Wyoming Refining Company, Sinclair, WY 82334

Four workers sustained burns while draining a chemical tank after butane came into contact with an ignition source and ignited. Three of the four workers were hospitalized.

5/18/2012 Manatts Inc., Ames, IA 50010

Worker at an asphalt manufacturing facility was killed when his head was caught in a tank door.

5/16/2012 Circle C, Odessa, TX 79763

Worker extracting water from a well was found dead inside well.

5/14/2012 Preston Memorial Hospital, Kingwood, WV 26537

Worker was killed after being struck by an elevator inside a hospital elevator shaft.

5/09/2012 Arca Trucking Services LLC, Midland, TX 79706

Worker inside the cab of a truck fuel tank being welded to patch a leak was killed when the tank ignited and exploded.

5/12/2012 Cuyahoga Concrete Company, Cleveland, OH 44115

Worker using a pneumatic chisel to clean out the inside of a concrete truck was found dead.

4/30/2012 ConocoPhillips, Borger, TX 79008

Worker installing hydraulics at a silo chute died from a 20-foot fall when the chute moved to a vertical position.

04/18/2012 Hansen Design Specialty Flooring Inc., Draper, UT 84020

Worker was struck and killed by a vehicle while performing maintenance in a storm drain.

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04/11/2012 Roggen Farmers Elevator Association, Roggen, CO 80652
Worker loading a large empty silo plastic bag into a mechanical device died when his body became caught in the bagging mechanism.

04/12/2012 TN Aluminum Processors Inc., Mt. Pleasant, TN 38474
Worker loading aluminum into a shredder was killed after being pulled into the machine.

04/11/2012 Purdy Concrete Inc., Lafayette, IN 47909
Worker inside a swimming pool pit preparing to fill it with concrete was killed when the cement truck tipped over, and fell on him.

03/30/2012 Frit Industries Inc., Walnut Ridge, AR 72476
Worker inspecting the removal of compacted soil from inside a fertilizer mixer died when he became engulfed in raw material after the mixer was turned on.

03/24/2012 Fire Brick Engineers Company Inc., Marlon, AL 36756-0670
Worker replacing the lining of a furnace was crushed between the cleaning equipment and wall. Equipment had not been locked out.

03/21/2012 A & D Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Inc., Boca Raton, FL 33432
Worker installing piping and sheet metal to the HVAC system of a restaurant died after falling 40 feet through the building's shaft.

03/20/2012 OGE Red Bud Power Plant, Luther, OK 73054
Worker tightening bolts on a steam drum died from blunt force trauma and burns when increased pressure caused drum to explode.

03/20/2012 Genpak LLC, Columbus, OH 43228
Worker at a packing and crating facility who was cleaning a machine used to make rolls of plastic was killed after being pulled into the machine.

03/15/2012 Kelley Bean Company Inc., Brush, CO 80723
Worker was engulfed after standing on a pile of beans at a bean plant.

02/24/2012 Worldwide Technologies GPA, Franklin, KY 42134
Worker in a tool manufacturing facility broke his neck when he was pulled into a machine used to rotate and shape metals.

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03/02/2012 Koswire Inc., Flowery Branch, GA 30542

Worker operating a metal wiring machine was killed when he reached into the machine and was pulled in.

02/23/2012 Roberson Construction & Land Development, Inc., Gatlinburg, TN 37738

Worker was asphyxiated when an unshored wall collapsed while he was cutting rebar inside of a basin.

02/23/2012 Best Foam, Sherman, MS 38869

Worker operating a compactor machine used to pack together cut farm crops died after being caught inside the machine.

02/10/2012 Kesmarc LLC, Ocala, FL 32268

Worker treating a horse inside a hyperbaric oxygen therapy chamber was killed when an explosion occurred inside the chamber.

02/01/2012 Wauneta Mills LLC, Wauneta, NE 69045

Worker using an auger to fill truck with feed pellets was found dead inside the truck bin.

01/30/2012 V T Halter Marine Inc., Pascagoula, MS 39581

Worker preparing to refill a sand blast pot was killed when the pressurized vessel exploded after he lifted the lid.

01/25/2012 Viking Iron Metal, Houston, TX 77045

Worker dies from burns when a tank that once contained gasoline explodes.

01/19/2012 Live Oaks Planting Company LLC, Itta Bena, MS 38941

Employee was working in a 60,000 bushel grain silo when the worker sank and was engulfed in 20,000 bushels of soybean.

12/24/2011 R&M Oil Supply, Inc., Smithton, IL 62285

Worker was found laying on the ground with his arm in a manhole.

12/20/2011 Myceix Technologies Corporation, Gainesville, GA 30501

Worker handling materials inside of a humidity chamber died from injuries after an explosion occurred.

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12/16/2011 Tribe Mediterranean Foods, Inc., Taunton, MA 02780

Worker cleaning the pump feeder skid machine was pulled into it and crushed between the machine's two augers.

12/14/2011 Young & Rubicam, New York, NY 10017

Worker was crushed between the passenger elevator car and the shaft wall.

12/6/2011 Four Leaf Construction, Palo Alto, CA 94301

Worker fell in an elevator shaft.

12/13/2011 Enerfab, Inc., Arcadia, FL 34266

Worker performing welding tasks inside a steel tank was killed when he fell 55 feet from scaffolding.

12/12/2011 Quality Scapes, Inc., Streamwood, IL 60107

Worker was crushed by an auger inside a salt truck.

11/20/2011 ESE Alcohol Inc., Leoti, KS 67861

Worker walking on a catwalk that connects to a fermentation tank died when he fell inside the tank.

11/18/2011 Andrew T. Jacos Belleville, IL 62220

Worker operating a wood chipper was killed after being pulled into the machine.

11/16/2011 Leelaunau Fruit Co., Suttons Bay, MI 49682

Worker was asphyxiated in a brine pit while transferring cherries from a brine pit to truck

11/15/2011 Vista Paints Fullerton, CA 92831

One worker was killed and another hospitalized after being overcome by fumes while using a paint stripping chemical in a confined space.

11/12/2011 J R Excavating, Fairborn, OH 45324

Worker replacing a sewer line inside a trench was killed after natural gas contacted an ignition source, causing an explosion and fire.

11/9/2011 Black Crow Candle Co. Canton, IL 61520

Worker died after falling 9 feet in an elevator shaft to the basement.

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11/3/2011 S.J. Louis Construction of Texas Ltd., LLP. Fairview, TX 75069
Two workers performing maintenance work on a sewer line died from exposure to a hazardous atmosphere after entering a manhole.

11/2/2011 United Elevator Services, LLC Memphis, TN 38103
Mechanic was crushed between elevator and hoistway while riding on top of elevator's cab.

11/01/2011 Avalon Commons Smithtown, NY 11787
Worker pumping sludge out of a sewage treatment tank died after falling into tank.

10/29/2011 Kansas Grain Inspection Services, Inc. Atchison, KS 66002
Two workers were killed while performing grain inspection services at a grain elevator when an explosion occurred.

10/29/2011 Bartlett Grain Company, LP Atchison, KS 66002
Four workers were killed in a grain elevator explosion and fire.

10/19/2011 Midco Diving & Marine Services, Inc. Parshall, ND, 58770
Water treatment plant worker diving into a 138-foot-deep chamber to perform maintenance died after his umbilical line failed.

10/16/2011 Esther's 103, Inc. Miami, FL, 33150
Worker trying to replace pumps inside a manhole collapsed and later died from exposure to toxic air.

10/17/2011 Moores Contracting Services LLC Buckhannon, WV, 26201
Worker died after falling 35 feet through the doorway of a silo-type structure.

10/12/2011 Community Recycling and Resource Recovery Lamont, CA, 93241
Worker died after being overcome by toxic fumes while cleaning the inside of a drain pipe.

10/10/2011 Unnerstall Contracting Co. St. Louis, MO, 63146
Worker was found unconscious in a manhole.

10/07/2011 Airtite Insulation, Goshen, IN, 46528
Worker suffocated after falling into a pit of insulation.

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10/04/2011 Novelis Corporation Oswego, NY, 13126-0028

Worker was connecting hoses inside a machine and was crushed between the machine's support block and bulkhead.

9/21/2011 Stevens Electric & Pump Service, Inc. Kennebunkport, ME 04046

Two workers died from overexposure to hydrogen sulfide while inside a sewer tank.

9/26/2011 Murphy-Brown, LLC Laurinburg, NC 28352

Worker trying to access an auger motor died after becoming entangled in the machine.

9/20/2011 Al and John, Inc., T/A Glen Rock Hams, Paterson, NJ 07503

Worker cleaning a meat mixer died when he fell into the machine.

9/21/2011 Otis Elevator Company Brookwood, AL 35444

Worker performing operations on top of an elevator car was struck and killed by another elevator car.

9/6/2011 MaxYield Cooperative Dickens, IA 51333

Worker suffocated after being engulfed in corn inside a grain bin.

9/3/2011 Shultz Steel Company Inc. South Gate, CA 90280

Worker died from head injuries after falling 19 feet into a service pit.

8/31/2011 Liberty Denim, LLC, Liberty, SC 29657

Worker died when caught between rollers while working in a textile machine.

8/23/2011 Lumiere Place Casino & Hotel St. Louis, MO 63102

Worker died after falling into an elevator shaft while trying to retrieve keys.

8/22/2011 NextEra Energy Resources, Ocheyedan, IA 51354

Worker died after falling more than six feet through an unprotected hatch door in a wind tower.

8/20/2011 Delaware River Stevedores, Inc., Philadelphia, PA 19137

Worker unloading cargo died when he fell 45 feet inside a ship's hull

8/19/2011 American Apparel Knit and Dye Garden Grove, CA 92841

Worker cutting fabric was crushed in an energized machine.

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8/18/2011 Inergy Propane, LLC dba Jenkins Gas New Bern, NC 28560
Worker died from gas fumes while servicing an underground liquid propane tank.

8/17/2011 Coastal Cargo Company, Inc., New Orleans, LA 70112
Worker loading grain on a cargo vessel was killed when the closing hatch cover struck him, causing him to fall 40 feet.

8/14/2011 Wickliffe Paper Company LLC, Wickliffe, KY 42087
Worker died from severe burns from paper by-products while removing a manway

8/10/2011 Ambriz Construction Maumelle, AR 72113
Five construction workers were hospitalized when the scrap box they were inside fell 20 feet to the ground.

8/3/2011 Nix Contr LLC Linden, MI 48451
Worker died after falling into a manhole.

8/2/2011 CSM Bakery Products North America, Dallas, TX 75238
Worker unjamming part of a bakery oven was killed after he was caught between the robotic arm and the oven's conveyor belt

8/4/2011 Patrick Lovett Farm Tabor City, NC 28463
Worker unclogging tobacco materials from a harvester conveyor died when his clothing was caught and he was pulled into the machine.

8/3/2011 Zimmerman Sales and Services LLC Goshen, IN
Worker welding inside a silo died from possible electrocution.

8/1/2011 Roberts Sand Company LLLP, Quincy, FL 32351
Worker using an excavator inside a clay pit was killed when the 25-foot wall of clay soil fell, crushing him.

7/28/2011 Duppong's Inc. Glen Ullin, ND 58631
Worker was crushed while working inside a baler.

7/27/2011 Bowen Engineering, Valparaiso, IN 46385
Worker found unresponsive in tank while performing repair work.

7/25/2011 Pool Hoopers Franklin Park, IL 60131
Worker fell over into a pump pit and drowned.

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7/20/2011 Jean Genie Studio Inc., Los Angeles, CA 90023

Worker was killed after being pulled into a commercial washing machine.

7/18/2011 Trenchless Technologies of New England, Inc. Port Kent, NY 12975

Worker cleaning a pipe casing using an auger machine died after the machine overturned and crushed him.

7/18/2011 Sioux City Engineering Co. Sioux City, IA 51103

Worker was crushed in an auger while servicing a street paver machine

7/12/2011 Bar-S Foods Co. Lawton, OK 73505

Worker cleaning an auger inside a meat processing factory died after falling into the processing machine.

7/11/2011 Evergreen Caissons, Telluride, CO 81435

Worker died after falling into a covered hole that gave way.

7/8/2011 McConway&Torley LLC. Pittsburgh, PA 15201

Worker was impaled and crushed within a machine that creates product molds.

7/3/2011 Greater Miami Baseball Club Limited Partnership Ft. Myers, FL 33912

Worker died after his pelvis was crushed in a moving freight elevator.

6/28/11 Granbury Contracting & Utilities Inc. Granbury, TX 76048

Worker evaluating a sewer lift station died from gas exposure when he ruptured the sewer pipe, releasing liquid sewage and methane gas.

6/9/11 Imanna Laboratory, Inc. Rockledge, FL 32955

Worker testing a fuel tank without protective equipment died from burns after the tank exploded.

6/22/11 Golden Alley, Inc. Rozel, KS 67574

Worker was sweeping the elevator when he stepped into a manhole and fell 70 feet into the grain bin.

6/15/11 City of Redding Redding, CA 96001

Worker received fatal injuries in water pressure tank explosion after tank wall failed as it was being reloaded.

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6/14/11 Corsicana Bedding, Inc Middletown, NY 10941

Worker died from injuries after being crushed in a machine.

6/12/11 Resource Management Companies Earth City, MO 63045

Worker fatally injured inside a baler attempting to free a jam when both legs were amputated.

6/7/11 Triangle Paving & Grading Inc Durham, NC 27703

Two workers died from oxygen deprivation after getting trapped in a manhole.

6/4/11 Metalico Rochester Rochester, NY 14605-2269

Worker was crushed in a compactor/baler.

5/30/11 Pine Grove Farm Standish, MI 48658

Worker engulfed in silo after top layer of corn collapsed.

5/22/11 Shin Tech LA LLC/Performance Contractors Inc. Plaquemines, LA 70764

Worker entered a confined space and was asphyxiated.

5/12/11 First American Resources Company, LLC Mableton, GA 30126-2942

Worker inspecting coil machine rollers was killed when he reached into the machine while in operation and was pulled in.

5/11/11 Harbor Point Mineral Products Utica, NY 13502

Worker died after being trapped in a silo.

5/6/11 Veolia Environmental Services Alvin, TX 77512

Worker cleaning an industrial boiler suffered fatal burns after slipping into a steam pit while filling five-gallon buckets with water.

4/25/11 Ace Ethanol, LLC Stanley, WI 54768

Worker died while performing cleaning operations inside a grain storage bin.

4/17/11 Advanced Technology Services East Peoria, IL 61630-1290

Worker checking for a hydraulic leak inside of a machine for cooling heated metal (quenching) was killed when the machine's lid crushed him.

4/11/2011 Southland Contracting, Inc. Webster, NY 14580

Worker was killed after falling onto a conveyor inside a tunnel.

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- 4/5/2011 Veolia Water NA Operating Services LLC Gatlinburg, TN 37738
Two waste water operators were killed after the front wall of basin collapsed in control room.
- 3/26/2011 Pinnacle Foods Group LLC Fort Madison, IA 52627
Sanitation worker was killed after being pulled into auger while cleaning it.
- 3/23/2011 Emjay Environmental Recycling, Ltd., Brentwood, NY 11717
Worker was caught in a machine.
- 2/25/11 Federal Marine Terminals Palmetto, FL 34221
Worker died after falling inside a marine vessel.
- 2/14/2011 Eastern Wood Products Company Williamsport, PA 17701
Worker feeding scrap wood into an auger for transport to a primary grinder was entangled in the auger.
- 2/11/2011 Setton Pistachio Terra Bella, CA 93270
Worker was caught in an auger.
- 2/8/2011 Elevator Dynamic Santa Monica, CA 90401
Worker fell into an elevator shaft.
- 2/7/2011 Enterprise Products dba Enterprise Transportation Freeport, TX 77541
Worker was washing a chemical tanker truck that contained polyurethane foam and was found unresponsive inside the tank.
- 2/4/2011 Fisher Barton South Carolina Inc. Fountain Inn, SC 29644
Worker fell while placing salt in a tank being prepared for production.
- 1/24/2011 Tortilleria Chinantla, Brooklyn, NY 11211
Worker was caught in the auger of a dough mixing machine.
- 1/21/2011 Baxter Healthcare Corporation, Los Angeles, CA 90039
One worker was killed and two injured when they were overcome by fumes; two were cleaning a tank, the third attempted rescue.
- 1/28/2011 Dewitt Excavating Clermont, FL 32711
Worker was crushed while clearing a jam in a machine used for mixing soil and cement.

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1/15/2011 DeVere Construction Co. Louisburg, NC 27549

Worker partially in manhole was struck by a swinging excavator bucket and fell into the manhole.

1/13/2011 Blackwater Divers Inc. Orlando, FL 32832

Worker was cleaning out a pipe in a 10-foot deep lake. He was exiting the water and fell over.

1/11/2011 DL Cattle LLC Parks, NE 69041

Worker was asphyxiated after being engulfed in a grain bin.

1/10/2011 Polar Service Center St. Gabriel, LA 70776

Worker climbed into a tank truck to repair an internal valve and collapsed.

12/28/10 KE & G Construction, Inc. Sierra Vista, AZ 85635

Worker in trench was struck after a manhole section broke free of a lifting device and fell 15 feet back into the trench.

12/13/2010 Bronco Drilling Edmond, OK 73019

The drilling rig crew was making a connection, when a worker threw a chain over his shoulder. The chain wrapped around the line going into the drum, and the worker was pulled into the draw works.

12/9/2010 Tyson Foods, Inc., Nashville Feed Mill Nashville, AR 71852

Worker was working at a grain bin. The grain bin collapsed.

12/2/2010 Big Lake Services Midland, TX 79702

Four workers were coming out of the well-hole pipe. After a worker opened the blow-out preventer, the well burped and created a flash fire. All four employees sustained injuries.

12/1/2010 Schindler Elevator Corporation Louisville, KY 42546

Worker was working alone on an elevator when he was trapped between an elevator car and a fixed ladder and was crushed.

11/29/2010 J & D Rack Cincinnati, OH 45238

Worker was engaged in cleaning debris from a 60-inch storm sewer pipe and collapsed from health issues.

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11/17/2010 American Food Service Santa Clara, CA 95051

Worker died of acute exposure to carbon monoxide while using a gas-powered pressure washer inside a freezer.

11/16/2010 Basic Energy Services Quitman, LA 71268

Worker was standing by at a well platform while circulation and cleaning was being performed in the well. A tube rushed up and out of the well. As everyone ran for cover, a portion of the tube struck the worker in the head and killed him.

10/4/2010 Chemplex LLC Snyder, TX 79549

Three workers were burned in a flash fire in a blending vat. One of the injured workers, hospitalized with burns over 45% of his body, passed away a few weeks later.

11/10/2010 Lassen Forest Products Red Bluff, CA 96080

Worker fell into a wood chipper.

11/9/2010 Univar USA Inc. Houston, TX 77041

While unloading a tanker truck containing lighter fluid, worker began gasping for air. Although treated with oxygen, worker later died at the hospital.

11/5/2010 MFA Agri Service Sedalia, MO 65301

Worker was standing on the lifted forks of a fork truck to repair a down-spout on a grain bin. Worker lost balance and fell approximately 6 feet, striking his head on the concrete pavement.

10/28/2010 Central States Fumigation Liberal, KS 76901

While working on the exterior of a bin deck of a grain elevator, worker fell approximately 93 feet to the ground.

10/13/2010 Ron Perrin Water Technologies Richmond, TX 77469

Worker was conducting cleaning operations within a 500,000-gallon aboveground water tank, and drowned.

10/13/2010 Kraft/Nabisco Biscuit Company Chicago, IL 60629

An employee was operating a palletizer when apparently he climbed into the machine to un-jam a pallet and was crushed.

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10/11/2010 Ocean Point Condo Miami Beach, FL 33139

The worker was attempting to repair an elevator when he got caught in between the elevator and adjacent wall resulting in the worker dying of crushing injuries.

10/6/2010 Team Industrial Services Chalmette, LA, 70043

The worker was working under supplied air with a helper inside a hydrogen sulfide unit. The worker was leaving the job, and slumped over for unknown reasons.

10/5/2010 Legacy Contracting LP Dallas, TX 75253

The worker fell 15 feet from a ladder while working to remove piping inside a concrete raw sewage digester.

10/1/2010 Nutri-Ject Hudson, IA 50643

Worker with head and upper torso inside a tanker truck loaded with 6000 pounds of sludge, fell into the tanker.

9/20/2010 Riceland Foods, Inc. McGehee, AR 71654

Worker was assisting with vacuum operation and fell into the boot pit, 20 feet.

9/18/2010 Laducer House Moving Belcourt, ND 58316

Worker was working underneath a house in the process of being moved and was crushed after the house collapsed.

9/17/2010 Gavilon Grain LLC Morral, OH 43337

Worker was working inside a grain silo in removal of the grain by manually moving wood slats covering the discharge auger. Worker was standing on the grating and was unhooking a sensor cable from the grating. The grating came loose; the worker fell and was pulled into the operations discharger auger.

9/9/2010 American Suncraft Indian Heights Kokomo, IN 46901

Worker was working on a water tower when he fell resulting in fatal injuries.

9/6/2010 Ringo Drilling 1, L.P. Rig #18 Ozona, TX 76943

Worker was installing a drain pipe to a tank and collapsed.

9/6/2010 Village of Tarrytown Tarrytown, NY 10591

Two workers were killed from a possible fall and/or oxygen deficiency while entering a permit-required confined space manhole.

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9/3/2010 Tridelta Systems, LLC Graceville, FL 32440

Worker was performing welding repairs on the log selector gate and was crushed by the gate. The equipment was not properly locked and tagged out for maintenance.

9/2/2010 Yecta Inc. dba Morningside Plumbers Inglewood, CA 90302

Worker suffered fatal injuries (burns) consistent with electrocution while working 35 to 40 feet into a crawl space while attempting to repair water heater.

9/1/2010 Transworld Plastics Films Rochelle, IL 61068

Worker was operating a machine and was pulled through the machine.

8/27/2010 Hillsdale Elevator Company, Geneseo, IL 61254

Worker was unclogging auger openings in a grain bin. The grain that was caked on the walls fell on the worker, engulfing him.

8/13/2010 Grannis Construction, Detroit Lakes, MN 56505

Worker fell from catwalk while removing a hopper on a silo.

8/13/2010 Superior Coating VL, Farmersville, TX 75442

Worker fell 160 feet from water tower.

8/11/2010 Rocky Plumbing, Alvin, TX 77511

Worker was working 10 feet below street level, cleaning dirt from a newly installed culvert, when the worker fainted.

8/6/2010 Grace Utility, LLC, Houston, TX 77040

Worker collapsed after exiting a manhole.

7/28/2010 Haasbach LLC, Mt. Carroll, IL 61053

Worker was engulfed in corn.

7/22/2010 Sevier Solid Waste Board Inc., Pigeon Forge, TN 38763

Worker was found crushed in a digester tube at a compost facility. Worker had previously been reported missing, and was found after a three-day search.

7/22/2010 Universal Linen Service LLC, Louisville, KY 40208

Worker was crushed when caught between an automatic laundry hopper on a shuttle conveyor and an industrial washing machine.

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7/20/2010 Southwest Kidney-DaVita Dialysis Partners, LLC, Phoenix, AZ 85004
Worker became stuck in top opening of a 37-inch deep mixing tank. Was found unresponsive with head and torso in the tank.

7/23/2010 Northeast Energy Management Inc., Cheswick, PA 15024
Two workers were in the process of performing arc welding on a oil tank that contained 85 barrels of crude oil. The tank exploded. The workers were blown up to 60 feet from the pad of the oil tank, receiving fatal burns.

7/22/2010 Horsehead Corporation, Monaca, PA 15061
There was an explosion in B column. Two worker fatalities.

7/4/2010 Whitestar Development Corporation, Niagara Falls, NY 14303
Worker fell into a compactor and was crushed.

4/22/2010 Tactical Cleaning, Commerce City, CO 80022
Worker was cleaning the inside of a rail car that previously had gas inside. A flash fire occurred and worker was burned.

7/10/2010 Speedy Rooter Inc., North Sioux City, SD 57049
Two workers were fixing a clogged sewer and were overcome by sewer gases. One worker fatality and one worker was hospitalized.

7/8/2010 Environmental Safety & Health Consulting Services, Freeport, TX 77542
Worker was inside a 212-foot diameter tank cleaning out sludge when the air line to the respirator popped off; worker collapsed.

7/8/2010 ACI Services, Englewood, CO 80110
Worker was working on an oil and gas tank; the tank exploded.

6/30/2010 Clearwater Paper Corporation, Lewiston, ID 83501
Worker was removing a jam from the back of the machine and fell onto the conveyor in the paper pulper. Worker drowned or was scalded.

6/29/2010 CBS, Inc., Weskan, KS 67662
Worker was working on the elevator bin deck area and fell into grain bin.

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6/26/2010 Berlin Industries, Inc., Carol Stream, IL 60188-9401
Worker was found crushed in the paper baler.

6/24/2010 AGCO Incorporated, Russell, KS 67665
Two workers were off-loading trucks on the exterior of the grain elevator and two elevator grain tubes collapsed. Both workers were buried under structure debris.

6/20/2010 Professional Facilities Management, Inc., Montgomery, AL 36116
Worker died from an oxygen-deficient atmosphere.

6/16/2010 Stuart & Kim Sorenson Feed and Grain LLC., Zachow, WI 54182
Worker was in a grain bin breaking loose bridged grain that was not flowing and was buried in the corn.

6/16/2010 Temple-Inland, Inc., Rome, GA 30165
Worker was working at an unstacker, went under a catwalk, and failed to lockout the equipment. Worker raised her arm up toward the roller and was caught and pulled into the roller.

6/15/2010 Southeastern Steel Buildings, Caddo, OK 74729
Worker was engaged in cutting an 8,000-lb boiler in sections with a cutting torch. The section being cut, fell off allowing the remaining section, 5000 lbs., to flip over onto its bottom and land on the worker.

6/14/2010 U.S. Postal Service, Hayward, CA 94541
Worker was found unresponsive in a trash dumpster.

5/26/2010 Unknown (TBD), Muncie, IN 47303
Plumber working in a well was overcome by muriatic acid fumes. Passerby trying to rescue him was overcome and later died. Two volunteer firefighters were hospitalized. Plumber may have been off duty.

6/2/2010 Express Energy Services, Azle, TX 76020
Worker was trying to stab a pipe into the bottom of an elevator. The bottom bale of the elevator struck the pipe and swung into the worker, striking the worker on the face/head.

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6/1/2010 Sobarea Ranch, Fremont, CA 94539

Farm worker climbed onto stack of hay and fell into the hay baling machine.

9/25/2009 Tyson Foods River Valley Animal Foods, Scranton, AR 72863

Decedent was dumping a load of offal from a tractor trailer. He was in the process of dumping offal into a bin when the tailgate malfunctioned. Decedent was freeing the tailgate, it released, and the load swept the decedent into the offal bin. Decedent drowned in the bin.

9/23/2009 Aurora Elevator, Inc. Aurora, IA 50607

Worker was engulfed in a corn storage bin. Emergency rescue services discovered the worker buried beneath the corn.

9/21/2009 Paper Tigers Camden, AR 71701

Worker was welding near or on a baler and was discovered entrapped in the baler.

9/17/2009 Con-Tech Insulation LLC Afton, MO 63123

Worker fell down an elevator shaft to the basement.

9/3/2009 Power Piping Company Clairton, PA 15025

Two employees were working inside a confined space area when an explosion occurred, then a fire. One employee fatality and one employee was hospitalized.

8/28/2009 Pro Elevator Services Inc. Brooklyn, NY 11218

Employee was below the elevator releasing the elevator jaws. The elevator dropped, crushing the employee.

8/24/2009 Cooperative Producers, Inc. Ruskin, NE 60974

Victim was cleaning out a pit at a grain elevator. He was walking near the unguarded opening and fell through, 15-20 feet, to the bottom of the pit.

8/19/2009 Boring & Tunneling Co. of America Houston, TX 77054

Victim was 140 feet inside a tunnel adjusting openings when the tunnel became filled with water. Victim drowned.