

Preliminary Report of Accident



1. Accident Type: Fatal Injury		2. Accident Classification Powered Haulage		3. Date/Time of Accident 03/17/2015 03:55 PM		4. Date/Time of Death 03/19/2015 10:52 PM		5. Fatal Case No 5			
6. Mine Information :											
a) Mining Company Name Ulrich Gravel Inc			b) Mine Name Ulrich Pit			c) Parent of Mining Company Scott Ulrich; Wes Ulrich					
7. Mine Location :		a) City Ord		b) County Valley		c) State NE		8. Mine ID Number: 25-00888		9. Union: NO	
10. Primary Mineral Mined: COMMON SAND MINING			11. Number of Mine Employees:		a) Total 6	b) Underground 0	c) Open Pit/Quarry 6		d) Mill/Prep Plant 0	e) Other 0	
12. Contractor Name:						13. Union		14. Contractor ID Number:			
15. Contractor Address:				a) City		b) County		c) State		d) Zip Code	
16. Number of Contractor Employees:			a) Total		b) Underground		c) Open Pit/Quarry		d) Mill/Prep Plant	e) Other	
17. Number of Persons in Mine at Time of Accident:						18. Number of Persons Unaccounted For:					
a) Mine Employees: 4			b) Contractor Employees: 0			a) Mine Employees: 0		b) Contractor Employees: 0			
19) Location of Accident								20. Mining Height:			
<input type="checkbox"/> 01-Underground		<input type="checkbox"/> 03-Open Pit		<input type="checkbox"/> 07-Advance Mining		<input type="checkbox"/> 30-Mill/Prep Plant		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)		Feet	Inches
<input type="checkbox"/> 02-Surface at Underground		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 06-Dredge Mining		<input type="checkbox"/> 08-Retreat Mining		<input type="checkbox"/> 99-Office Facility					
21. Nonfatal Injuries: 0			22. Fatal Injuries: 1								
23. Victim Information :											
a) Name Michael J. Nickels					b) Age 44						
c) Regular Job Title: Haul Truck Driver				d) Activity at Time of Accident: Operating Haul Truck				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mine Employee			
24. Experience :											
Years Weeks Days			Years Weeks Days			Years Weeks Days			Years Weeks Days		
a) Total: 0 0 4			b) at the mine: 0 0 4			c) at activity (23d) 0 0 4			d) with Contractor 0 0 0		
25. Autopsy Performed: If Yes, Location						26. Mine Telephone No.: (308) 728-5062					

27. Description of Accident (include equipment involved, the exact location in the mine, and status of rescue and recovery operations):
The victim was operating a loaded articulated haul truck on an elevated haul road adjacent to a dredge pond. After traveling about 125 yards from the loading point, the haul truck drifted into the water. The victim was removed from the truck, transported a hospital, and then transferred to a trauma center where he died on March 19, 2015.

The information provided in this notice is based on preliminary data ONLY and does not represent final determinations regarding the nature of the incident or conclusions regarding the cause of the accident.

28. Equipment Manufacturer: Caterpillar				29. Model: 730 B					
30. District: M6000 Rocky Mountain		32. Field Office: Topeka KS				33. Event Number: 6694920			
34. Accident Investigator: Michael Treloar				35. MSHA Person Notified: Pete A. Del Duca		Date 03/17/2015		Time 06:12 P	
36. Type of Report: Initial		37. Name of Preparer and Date Prepared Mike Hancher <i>MH</i>				Date 03/20/2015			
38. Reason For Amendment:									