



**ROUND TABLE GROUP**  
 Information Submission on  
 Fatal / Significant Events

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**Reference RT Charter #1**  
**Elimination of Fatalities and Major Incidents** - A statesman role in understanding and addressing industry hazards that may result in fatalities or major incidents.

COMPANY:	DATE OF EVENT:	TIME OF EVENT:	Fatality	Incident	Property Damage	Process Loss
DESCRIPTION OF EVENT:	<p>A CAT 330D Excavator was clearing loose material from a wall in the pit. A rock with the approximate dimensions of: 2.3 X 1.8 X 0.7 meters, came off the wall from a distance of about 4 meters up. The rock slid down the slope hitting the cab of the equipment.</p> <p><b>Potential for Fatality</b></p>					
DIRECT / UNDERLYING CAUSES:	<p>Failure to Warn: The operator was aware of the rock, but failed to notify the supervisor or take action.</p> <p>Improper Position for Task: The tracts of the excavator were parallel to the face.</p> <p>Unstable Material: Considerable loose material in wall.</p> <p>Poor Judgment: The operator continued to work knowing the rock was on the crest of the face.</p> <p>Inadequate Discipline: The supervisor did not verify with the operator that the area was safe to start working in as required by ground control procedures.</p> <p>Inadequate Identification and Evaluation of Loss Exposures: The operator nor supervisor assessed the pit wall prior to commencing work.</p>					
RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:	<p>Secured the scene.          Tended to operator          Initiated the investigation.          Communicated to employees.</p>					

**PICTURES BELOW**



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Location of Cab

Location of operator



Point of origin of the rock.

Point of impact



Extent of damage