



## ROUND TABLE GROUP

### Information Submission on Fatal / Significant Events

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

COMPANY:		Fatality	Incident	Property Damage	Process Loss
DATE OF EVENT:	6 Jan 2009				
TIME OF EVENT:	Approximately 19:30	x			
DESCRIPTION OF EVENT:	<p>A 54 year-old female operating a 777D haul truck was found lying on the ground in front of her stationary truck. The preliminary investigation indicates that she fell from her truck while cleaning the vehicle's front windscreen. The cause of the fall is unknown at this time. The operator sustained serious injuries and was initially taken to Kalgoorlie Regional Hospital before being airlifted to Royal Perth Hospital. She died on the afternoon of 07 January 2009 in Perth, Western Australia, Australia.</p>				
DIRECT / UNDERLYING CAUSES:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Although there were no witnesses, the employee's injuries were consistent with a fall from height. The employee was either standing on the truck's deck/platform or ascending or descending the truck's ladder when she fell to the ground.</li> <li>Under investigation by the Western Australian (WA) Department of Minerals and Petroleum, WA Police on behalf of the State Coroner, and Joint KCGM-Barrick-Newmont Investigation Team.</li> </ul>				
RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KCGM Emergency Response personnel attended the scene and assisted with the treatment and transfer to St. Johns Ambulance.</li> <li>Site and Regional Rapid Response Teams initiated.</li> <li>Suspension of open pit operations for 36 hours and safety briefings/training held with crews.</li> <li>KCGM Media Release and Barrick/Newmont internal communiqués developed and distributed.</li> <li>KCGM Mining Department commenced risk assessment on activities performed on 777 ladders and platforms (e.g., climbing, fixing chains, cleaning windows).</li> <li>Development of SOP for cleaning windows on 777 haul trucks (SOP to be shared with Barrick and Newmont sites).</li> <li>Joint KCGM-Barrick-Newmont Investigation Team established.</li> </ul>				

