

Stakeholders Best PracticesTailgate Safety Meeting Series



"Keeping the Truck Driver in the Cab"

While in loading or unloading areas on mine property, drivers for customers, contractors, or vendors should stay within the safety of their trucks. A person outside the cab may be exposed to numerous hazards, including mobile equipment, stockpile sloughing, material falling from loader bucket or conveyors, etc.

Best Practices:

- Require drivers to prepare trucks for loading before entering mine site; cleaning bed, checking tires, truck safety inspection, and tarp preparation.
- Inform drivers of general and site specific hazards they may encounter if exiting the vehicle is required.
- Avoid overloading trucks. Designate dump-off areas for drivers to remove excess product.
- After loading, require drivers to pull out of loading area to tarp and trim load.
- Require drivers to use proper ladders and/or fall protection if climbing is necessary.
- Instruct loader operators to halt loading activities if the driver is not in the vehicle.



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