

Resources Safety and Health Newsflash

An early report about an incident that may require action at your mine

Fatal accident as surface coal mine worker found entangled in excavator access ladder

What happened?

On Sunday 7 July 2019, at approximately 2.00am, a 27 year old coal mine worker was found entangled in an excavator access ladder at Baralaba coal mine. The coal mine worker was recovered by emergency responders and was unable to be resuscitated.

How did it happen?

A formal investigation by the Queensland mines inspectorate is underway.

Safety Newsflashes Purpose

1. Draw attention to the occurrence of a serious incident(s) in the mining industry
2. Increase Risk awareness
3. Promote mines to examine and check that their controls are adequate
4. Review the functional safety of machine access.

The investigations are ongoing and further information may be published as it becomes available. The information contained in this publication is based on knowledge and understanding at the time of writing.

Great state. Great opportunity.



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