

# Region V Quarterly Fatality Report

From: 01/01/2009 Thru: 03/31/2009

Number of Fatalities: 20

<u>Fatality</u>	<u>Accident Summary</u>	<u>Area Office</u>
11/27/2008	<i>An employee was fatally injured after the forklift truck he was operating struck against a vertical I-Beam column causing employee to eject from his seat and strike his head. No witnesses were present so it is believed employee was not wearing a seatbelt. Employee was taken to hospital and returned to work 4 days after the initial incident. One week after the incident the employee complained about headaches, returned to hospital and expired. (OSHA was notified of this fatality on March 6, 2009.)</i>	Aurora
1 /7 /2009	<i>An employee received fatal injuries after being struck by a refuse container that disconnected from the rear of a truck. The container trunnion bar was unsecured causing the container to fall, tip and ultimately strike deceased.</i>	Aurora
1 /9 /2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured when a bundle of large metal rods fell on him while he was conducting inventory.</i>	Columbus
1 /13/2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured when he was struck by a falling steel casting. Employee was lifting the steel casting with an overhead crane and as he lifted it, an adjacent casting fell striking employee.</i>	Milwaukee
1 /21/2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured when the trench he was working in collapsed. Deceased was installing underground sanitary lines when a portion of the south wall of the 8 foot deep trench collapsed, striking him on the chest and pinning him against the opposing trench wall.</i>	Toledo
1 /23/2009	<i>A truck driver was fatally injured when he was struck and crushed by steel racks which had fallen from a trailer. Straps had been removed and bands had been cut from the bundle prior to the accident.</i>	Cal City
2 /2 /2009	<i>An employee asphyxiated after the bus that he was underneath dropped. The deceased had not secured the vehicle prior to positioning himself underneath the carriage.</i>	Cleveland
2 /3 /2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured when the steel plate he was welding fell on top of him. The steel plate was standing on end and tack welded to two large steel horses to keep it secure. Co-workers stated that a full complete weld should have been used to secure plate to the horse, not a tack weld.</i>	Milwaukee

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2/10/2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured after he fell onto an envelope press and became caught in the rollers that guide paper into the machine.</i>	Chicago North
2/12/2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured when he was struck by a truck driven by another employee in the shipping area of a warehouse. Pending further details.</i>	Columbus
2/13/2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured after he fell and broke his hip while moving a debris hauler down a hallway. Employee was undergoing physical therapy for the broken hip when he died. Pending further details.</i>	Cleveland
2/21/2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured after he slipped on black ice and struck his head against a snow plow marker stake while he was delivering mail. Employee was hospitalized after the incident but died as a result of his injuries the following day.</i>	Lansing
3/4 /2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured after being run over by a semi-truck that he was repairing. At the time of the accident, deceased was underneath the driver's side of the truck adjusting the chassis when another employee put the truck into gear and drove away.</i>	Cal City
3/10/2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured after entering a plastic injection molding press. Employee had entered press to remove a piece of scrap plastic when the press cycle was inadvertently initiated.</i>	Toledo
3/11/2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured after slipping and falling off the porch of a private residence. Employee was taken to hospital and died five days later from injuries sustained during the fall.</i>	Peoria
3/16/2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured after falling 7 feet over a rail system while making a delivery. At the time of the fall, employee was disconnecting hoses between the cab and trailer of his semi-truck. Possible heart attack. Pending further details.</i>	Cleveland
3/19/2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured after he was struck by lumber kicking back out of a saw.</i>	Appleton
3/20/2009	<i>An employee was fatally injured after becoming caught in a paper baler while attempting to clear a paper jam. Employee had left baler in manual mode prior to entering it to clear the jam. Employee's supervisor, who was unaware that employee was inside the machine, engaged the baler causing the machine to sever employee's body.</i>	Cal City
3/30/2009	<i>An employee experienced a seizure at a workstation and later died. Pending further details.</i>	Cleveland

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3/30/2009	An employee was fatally injured after falling off and then being run over by the forklift he was driving.	Aurora