

INCIDENT ALERT

LOCATION: Quarry
ACTIVITY: Production and Processing
SUB ACTIVITY: Aggregate processing

ALERT STATUS: Normal
DATE ISSUED: 10/06/08
INCIDENT No: 00170

TITLE

Weigh Hopper Collapse Incident

ACCIDENT / INCIDENT DETAILS

While batching 2m3 into a weigh hopper at Washington plant the bracket that the load cell is connected to gave way shearing the bolt causing the weigh hopper to drop and twist.

The area was Cordoned off and the plant isolated and shut down. Fitters were called who advised that we should fit safety chains to all our weigh hoppers to prevent this from happening again and to protect anyone in the working area.

Had someone been working in the area of the hopper, they could have been seriously injured or worse.

ACCIDENT / INCIDENT IMAGES



LEARNING POINTS / ACTIONS TAKEN

It is recommended that safety chains, or securing devices are fitted to the Premix weigh hoppers.

LEARNING POINTS / ACTIONS IMAGES