

WEEKLY INCIDENT SUMMARY

Week ending Friday 19 July 2019

This incident summary provides information on reportable incidents and safety advice for the NSW mining industry. To report an incident to the NSW Resources Regulator: phone 1300 814 609 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

At a glance

High level summary of incidents and our recommendations to operators.

TYPE	NUMBER
Reportable incident total	38
Summarised incident total	3

Summarised incidents

INCIDENT TYPE	SUMMARY	RECOMMENDATIONS TO INDUSTRY
Dangerous incident IncNot0035084	A truck was refuelling at a fuel bay on the surface of an underground mine. Fuel splashing from the breather contacted hot engine parts, initiating a small fire. The operator manually triggered the automatic fire systems and extinguished the fire. The refuelling system was a dry break system. No-one was injured.	Breather valves are integral to the safe refuelling of plant via a dry break system. Initial investigations have determined that the breather valve was defective. Maintenance programs should include the regular inspection of breather valves, in accordance with manufacturers recommendations.
Dangerous incident IncNot0035094	An unattended light vehicle moved an estimated 250 metres from where it was parked. It hit a windrow and flipped onto its side. c	Drivers must comply with site protocols for vehicle park-up before leaving their vehicles.



Dangerous incident
IncNot0035103

Two people were working on an elevated working platform (EWP) replacing wall sheeting at a coal handling preparation plant.

One of the operators tried to move the EWP upwards but the machine moved unintentionally and hit the underside of a structure.

No-one was injured.

The investigation has found that the control mechanism of the EWP malfunctioned. The cause of the malfunction is yet to be determined.



Note: While the majority of incidents are reported and recorded within a week of the event, some are notified outside this time period. The incidents in this report therefore have not necessarily occurred in a one-week period. All newly recorded incidents, whatever the incident date, are reviewed by the Chief Inspector and senior staff each week. For more comprehensive statistical data refer to our annual performance measures reports.

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