

FATALGRAM 20-01

Alaska Department of Labor & Workforce Development
Division of Labor & Safety Standards
Occupational Safety & Health



Date of Incident: November 02, 2020

Industry: Logging

Location: Remote logging camp, Keete Inlet, Prince of Whales Island, Alaska

Summary: An employee was crushed while performing maintenance on a dump truck.

Description of Accident: A 52-year-old employee was installing a transmission into a dump truck. The raised bed was supported with a metal stand and a block of wood. The employee was working at the back of the transmission beneath the raised dump box when the stand and wood block failed. The dump box fell, crushing the employee between the dump box and the cab of the truck. The employee died of his injuries on scene.

Accident Prevention Recommendations:

- Ensure all Lock Out/Tag Out (LOTO) procedures are developed and implemented.
- Provide LOTO training to employees.
- Before performing maintenance on equipment, verify the isolation and de-energization of stored energy.
- Always follow the manufacturer's recommendations for operations and maintenance of all equipment.