FATALGRAM 22-02

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

Date of Incident: March 14, 2022

Industry: General Industry **Location:** Beluga, Alaska

Summary: An equipment operator was loading a snow machine onto a tilt bed trailer when the machine flipped over landing on top of the employee.

Description of Accident: A 66-year-old male died from injuries sustained when he lost control of the snow machine he was trying to load onto a tilt bed trailer. The snow machine came off the trailer and rolled over on top of him.

Accident Prevention Recommendations:

- Remove all obstructions from the tilt bed trailer to ensure a clear path while conducting loading/unloading operations.
- Always use caution when loading snowmobiles onto a tilt bed trailer
- Ensure that each employee is adequately trained to recognize and avoid unsafe conditions associated with loading or unloading a snow machine onto a tilt bed trailer.