

FATALGRAM 24-03

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



Date of incident: June 05, 2024

Industry: Construction

Location: Prudhoe Bay, Alaska

Summary: An employee was caught in/between two pieces of an emissions stack being assembled with a crane.

Description of Accident: A 23-year-old male was fatally injured during an emissions-stack assembly involving lifting operations. The victim died from wounds sustained when they were caught in/between the emissions stack when a section of the stack rolled and crushed the employee. EMTs responded and the employee was transported to the local medical clinic where the employee was declared deceased.

Accident Prevention Recommendations:

- Ensure only employees involved in the operation are in the fall zone of the material being lifted, and all other employees involved in lifting operations are at a safe distance from materials when it is being lifted and the area the material is being set on.
- Ensure all employees involved in lifting operations have a clear line of sight with the crane operator or otherwise have adequate means of communication.
- Ensure all loads are stable before adjusting any lifting equipment or material.
- Ensure employees are not exposed to falling objects and crushing hazards when adjusting materials that are being assembled.