

Lack of Written Procedure for Removing Large Tires Results in \$55,000 Fine



At a mining company's underground maintenance garage, a mechanic was replacing a rear oscillating axle on a scoop tram. While removing the right rear tire, it fell on him. Three co-workers lifted the 878-pound tire off the injured mechanic, who was taken to the hospital for treatment. The MOL determined that the company didn't have a written procedure for the work being performed on the tires and wheel assembly as required by the *Mining and Mining Plants Regulation*. The company pleaded guilty to failing to ensure that it established written procedures for the work performed on the tires and wheel assembly and was fined \$55,000 [Goldcorp Canada Ltd., Govt. News Release, Oct. 26, 2016].