

# Manufacturer Fined \$50,000 for Worker's Hand Injury



A worker at a manufacturer's plant cleaning out a hopper reached a hand into it while an auger inside was slowly rotating. His hand was injured when it was caught by the auger and trapped against the hopper wall. The manufacturer pleaded guilty to failing to ensure that the auger had stopped rotating before the worker began cleaning the hopper. The court fined it \$50,000 [*Surteco Canada Ltd.*, Govt. News Release, March 15, 2012].