Metal Company Convicted in Fatality and Fined $160,000



A metal company worker was cutting bands that held a bundle of steel coils together when one of the coils tipped over, crushing him to death. A trial determined that the company’s training on how to safely disband, position and move coils wasn’t sufficient and the operating procedures for the equipment in question didn’t address known hazards. The company was convicted of failing to provide information, instruction and supervision on how to safely position, move and disband coils and fined $160,000 [*Samuel, Son & Co. Ltd.*, Govt. News Release, June 16, 2014].