

President/Supervisor Fined \$30,000 for Worker's Death



During a bridge construction project, a concrete panel collapsed on top of a worker, killing him. An MOL investigation found that although the company president, who was supervising the work, had been given a copy of an engineered procedure for safely cutting and removing concrete from the bridge deck to prevent collapse, this procedure wasn't followed. In addition, workers exposed to a fall hazard while dismantling the bridge hadn't been wearing fall protection. The president/supervisor pleaded guilty to failing, as a supervisor, to take reasonable steps to ensure workers followed the engineered procedure and wore fall protection. The court fined him \$30,000 [*Barry Wood*, Govt. News Release, July 12, 2012].