Recycling Company Fined \$125,000 for Machine Fatality



A recycling company worker got killed while removing a bin of waste materials to be carted away. MOL inspectors determined that the mechanical safety devices designed to keep the bin in a secure position hadn't been turned on and charged the recycling company with failing to provide proper safety instructions to the victim. The Vancouver-based company pled guilty and was fined \$125,000, plus a 25% accident victim surcharge [CRM of Canada Processing ULC, Govt. News Release, August 29, 2022].

Action Point: Implement a legally sound machine guarding policy at your workplace