

# Road Constructor Fined \$170,000 after Loader Struck & Killed Worker



A road constructor was installing sewer and water main connections. The driver of a front-end loader went to retrieve dirt from a work area and take it to a stockpile. While backing up, the loader fatally struck a worker who was crossing the street. The constructor pleaded guilty to failing to ensure that a vehicle wasn't operated in reverse when there was a practical alternative to doing so and was fined \$170,000 [Coco Paving Inc., Govt. News Release, Jan. 17, 2013].