

Caught or Crushed Injuries Fatality File

Mass. worker dies after getting caught in unguarded machinery

OSHA has cited Horn Packaging Corp. for 12 alleged safety violations following the death of a worker at the Lancaster-based packaging manufacturer's facility. The worker was fatally injured on Nov. 7, 2011, while operating a corrugated box-making machine when he became entangled in an unguarded drive shaft that provides power to the machine.

A willful citation was issued for a violation involving the unguarded shaft, which lacked proper protection to prevent workers from being exposed to its moving parts.

Additionally, 11 serious violations involve a failure to prevent other machine guarding hazards, develop and implement a written chemical hazard communication program, provide worker training, cover electrical junction boxes and address several deficiencies in the hazardous energy control program, which is designed to prevent machinery from unintentionally starting up during maintenance.