Georgia Contactor Cited for Alleged Willful, Serious Violations

OSHA has proposed $108,000 in penalties against a contractor for two alleged willful instances of failing to protect employees from cave-in hazards in trenches. Five serious violations were also cited. They allege the use of damaged ladders; placement of material too close to an excavation; use of a ladder having insufficient height and failure to properly train workers on the safe use of ladders.

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