

Grain Grower Facing Willful Violations in Connection with Double Fatality

A farm supply cooperative has been cited for four alleged willful violations in federal health and safety laws after two employees died as a result of becoming engulfed in grain. The violations allege willful failure to train employees to manage hazards associated with special tasks they are assigned and failure to provide a lifeline or alternate means for employees walking or standing on or in stored grain. The other willful charges allege failure to isolate all equipment presenting a danger to employees walking or standing on or in stored grain and allowing an employee to be present in moving grain. Proposed penalties total \$189,000.

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