Unloading Trailers (Construction) Fatality File

Construction Worker Killed When Pipe Rolls Off a Trailer

Construction worker David Earl Hyde was killed Feb. 20 when a large metal pipe rolled off a trailer and struck him.

According to the state patrol, the 38-year-old Missouri man was assisting in the unloading of large metal pipes from a trailer when a pipe weighing as much as 2,500 pounds landed on him. They said that Hyde died at the scene.

In a statement, Ames, the contractor on the project, acknowledged "the worker was delivering pipe to the project and a section of pipe may have rolled off the delivery truck when the worker unstrapped it."

The statement noted that workers at the site offered first aid to Hyde until paramedics arrived and transported him to the hospital.