

General Carrying Pty Ltd

On 7 December 2011, a transport truck driver delivering steel mesh for use at an underground coal mine was crushed between the mesh that had slipped from the unloading machine and his truck.

Alleged contravention

Section 8(2) of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 2000* (OHS Act).

Summary of undertaking

Activities General Carrying will undertake include:

- Review regulator and industry databases on mobile plant and pedestrian incidents.
- Publish an open letter in a national transport industry journal seeking information.
- Establish an online survey tool to acquire information on mobile plant and pedestrian incidents.
- Develop an evaluation tool from the identified top key areas of concern.
- Apply the evaluation tool to review loading and unloading operations at participating NSW open cut and underground mines and transport industry sites.
- Assess results and develop a mine and transport industry specific baseline of data that can be interfaced,
- Provide a written report of the results to the regulator.
- Provide feedback to participants.
- Communicate progress and outcomes to mining and transport industries.
- Develop and implement a supervisors' program.
- Work with selected large retailers to improve loading and unloading.

This undertaking has a total expenditure of \$110,000.

Reasons for accepting the undertaking

- The proposed undertaking meets the requirements of the department's WHS undertakings policy and guidelines.
- The nature of the alleged contravention and the actions taken by General Carrying in response to the incident are assessed as being appropriate for consideration of an undertaking.
- The exceptional circumstances case put forward by General Carrying was considered to have merit. One or more, but not all, of the factors put forward were accepted as constituting exceptional circumstances.
- The proposed undertaking demonstrates benefits to the workplace, transport industry, mining industry and community.

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