

Safety Alert

From the International Association of Drilling Contractors

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FATALITY – TRUCK ROLLOVER

WHAT HAPPENED:

Company vehicle left road and rolled over. Two occupants of vehicle ejected from vehicle. One occupant killed and one seriously injured. Company safety records were reviewed and it was found that approximately three months prior the company experienced another rollover incident where another employee was killed after being thrown from a company vehicle in which he was a passenger. In these incidents, all the occupants of the vehicle were **not** wearing seat belts at the time of the accidents.

WHAT CAUSED IT:

Individuals not wearing seatbelts.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: To address this incident, this company did the following:

- A designated driver program was instituted. A transportation program was established where management personnel will be the only personnel allowed to drive company vehicles while transporting personnel or a shuttle service will be utilized.
- Personnel were notified that the Company seat belt policy will be strictly enforced on leases, lease roads as well as public highways.
- A driver training program was instituted for designated drivers.
- Monthly group safety meeting program with employees and operator personnel was instituted.

The Corrective Actions stated in this alert are one company's attempts to address the incident, and do not necessarily reflect the position of IADC or the IADC HSE Committee.