

PRELIMINARY ACCIDENT REPORT

1. **Accident type:** Fatal Injury
2. **Accident classification:** Roof Fall
3. **Date/Time of accident:** June 3, 2008 at 7:40a.m. CST
4. **Mining Company Name:** Gibson County Coal
5. **Mine Name:** Gibson Mine
6. **Mine Location: City:** Princeton **County:** Gibson **State:** Indiana
7. **Primary mineral mined:** Bituminous coal underground mining
8. **Victim's Information:** Name: Justin M. Wilkin
Age: 25, DOB: 06/12/82
Job Title: Roof Bolter Operator
Activity at time of accident: Roof Bolting (Pin Mac)
Gibson Mine Employee: Yes
Years of Experience: 2 years 3 weeks

Description of accident: At approximately 7:40 a.m. CST on June 3rd, 2008 a roof bolter operator was fatally injured at the Gibson County Coal, LLC, Gibson Mine, on Unit #3, Mine ID MMU 003, by a roof fall in the #1 entry face area in Unit #3. The #1 entry had been mined and the victim was bolting the area at the time of the accident. A section of roof measuring ten foot wide by five foot long and zero to ten inches thick fell from an unsupported area in front of the ATRS and struck the roof bolter operator, pinning him against the ATRS cylinder.

Deputy Commissioner
Don "Blink" McCorkle
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