

A **31 year old male** employee was **struck by a truck** sliding on ice as he was walking in the parking lot.

The victim was assigned to truck #37 for the day. His job was to assist with spray foam insulation of a residential building in Butler, TN. On the day of the accident, he and the crew leader/driver clocked in to work and went to the bay where truck #37 was parked overnight. They ensured all the equipment needed for the job was loaded in the truck. The driver opened the bay door and pulled the truck out of the bay. The victim told the driver he needed to retrieve his lunch and boots from his truck. The driver said he would meet him at his truck and pick him up.

While driving over to meet the him, the truck hit black ice in the parking lot and began to slide counterclockwise and struck the victim, crushing him between truck #37 and his own personal truck. The driver exited out of the truck and spoke with the victim who said he was doing fine, and they could worry about his truck later. Both employees got into truck #37 and departed for Kingsport, TN enroute to the jobsite.

Once at the job they started work. After about an hour, the victim said he was not feeling well and needed to rest. At that time, the crew leader noticed some bruising and said they needed to go so the victim could get checked out at the hospital. They loaded up the equipment and started back towards Kingsport. While driving back, the victim slumped over in the passenger's seat. The driver pulled off the road and called 911 for assistance. Emergency services arrived at their location, and he was transported to the hospital where he later succumbed to his injuries.

The only citation issued was for the employer not reporting the fatality within 8 hrs.

Citation(s) as Originally Issued

A complete inspection was conducted at the accident scene. Some of the items cited may not directly relate to the fatality.

Citation 1 Item 1 **Type of Violation:** **Other-than-Serious** **\$2500**

TDLWD Rule 0800-01-03-.05(1)(a)1: Within eight (8) hours after the death of any employee as a result of a work-related incident, the employer did not report the fatality to the TOSHA Division of the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

In that Chris Mullins Company, LLC failed to report the fatality of one employee that occurred on January 07, 2022 to TOSHA.

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Photo shows the parking lot where the accident occurred. Truck #37 pulled out of building on back side of box trucks located on the right and turned left coming towards the gray truck on the left. There were no other vehicles in the lot on the day of the accident except the victim's truck.

****This picture was taken about a month after the accident so it is not as it was when the accident occurred****

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Photo of truck #37



Photo of damage to victim's truck after accident