



### Major Mining Claims and Risk Control Failures

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### Control Theory

### **Risk Control Plans**







### **Behavioral Control Reliability**





### Key Mining Risks

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- Long term industrial action
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Resultant Claims

### Pit Failure





- Control = Slope Angle @ Performance Standard
- Dependency = Mining Practice
- Verification = Radar Monitor and Human Response
- Control Quality = Human Behaviour







## Equipment Collapse

Position

**Contact Position** 





## **Equipment Collapse**



- Control = Reclaimer height when staking
- Dependency = SOP, Equipment Integrity
- Verification = None
- Control Quality = Human Behaviour; Engineering



















#### Mud Rush Requirements:

- Fines (mud forming material)
- Water (sufficient to wet fines)
- Trigger (disturbance to initiate movement)
- 4. Discharge Point (to allow material to enter workings)

Joint Shaft Pumping, Rainfall and pan level 2017 - 2018







- Control = Water level
- Dependency = Pumping
- Verification = Water Balance
- Control Quality = Human Behaviour





### **Furnace Losses**















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### **Furnace Losses**



- Control = Residual Heat
- Dependency = Cooling/ Isolation Installation
- Verification = Temperature Probes
- Control Quality = Human Behaviour





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- Control = Static Liquefaction
- Dependency = Water, Fines
- Verification = Phreatic Surface
- Control Quality = Human Behaviour







Case Study: Underground Conveyors



### **Fire Propagation**











### **Idler Location**















# 75% Closed

### **Conveyor Fire**

Adequate Conveyor Design



- Incorrect Bottom Roller Support • **Bracket Fabrication**
- Control System Override Function
- Adequate Fire Detection and Suppression Design
- Adequate Water Supply 🗸



Adequate Water Supply •



- Automatic Control Valves not Installed to DCS
- **Operating Pressures Verified** •
  - **Control Valve Manually Manipulated** and Only 25% Opened



Compliance Items Recorded, but None of The Issues Identified in Risk Survey or Monitoring Activities

### **Conveyor Fire**





- Control = Fire Suppression
- Dependency = Water pressure, Water flow, Accurate detection
- Verification = Pressure Gauge, Flow Valve Position, Detection Testing
- Control Quality = Human Behaviour

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