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SAFETY ALERT



OPEN CUT



UNDERGROUND



BOTH

Occurrence Description

Due to an earlier Occurrence Report, tests were carried out by Appin Colliery West to determine emissions from pneumatic percussion tools used underground. The results of the testing indicated that several types of tools under certain conditions were emitting carbon monoxide (CO). Two of the items determined to emit CO were the YT24 Rock Drill and the B87C Breaker.

Action By Firefly International

Further testing of these types of tools are to be carried out. A list of tools which are emitting CO will to be drawn up and only those which meet the underground guidelines will be made available for underground mines. Firefly International has quarantined its YT24 Rock Drill and B87C Breaker, and will only make these available for underground use when all safety issues have been addressed.

Further Information

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YT24 Rock Drill



B87C Breaker