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Saint John, N.B.- WorkSafeNB continues to investigate an accident that claimed the life of a 52 year-old Minto man yesterday.

Allan Wilson, a welder with Gaddess Industrial Preventative Maintenance Ltd., died from head injuries after falling about 8 metres to a concrete floor. Wilson fell when the platform he was standing on while disassembling steel plates detached from its support.

Orders have been written because of violations to the *Occupational Health and Safety Act*, and WorkSafeNB continues to investigate. WorkSafeNB reminds employers and workers that fall protection must be used when working from heights, and to contact them at 1 800 222-9775 for information on fall protection and any other health and safety topics.

About WorkSafeNB

WorkSafeNB administers no-fault workplace accident and disability insurance for employers and their workers, funded solely through employer assessments. WorkSafeNB is committed to preventing workplace injuries and illness through education and the enforcement of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act*.