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WHSCC INVESTIGATES FATALITY IN PORT ELGIN

Saint John, NB: The Workplace Health, Safety and Compensation Commission (WHSCC) is investigating an accident that claimed the life of a 55-year-old Port Elgin man Tuesday.

Joe Sweeney, a truck driver with Rehau Industries, died in hospital of injuries sustained when a hay bale fell on him as he attempted to adjust the load after it had shifted.

WHSCC officers are still investigating to determine whether there were violations to the *Occupational Health and Safety Act*, and to make recommendations to prevent such a tragedy from recurring.

ABOUT THE WHSCC

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