Case 107. 26-year-old male security guard was killed when a 60-foot overhead door section fell on him.

On December 17, 2005, a 26-year-old male security guard was killed when a 60-foot overhead door section fell on him. The employer for whom the victim worked was contracted to provide security services. The overhead door was constructed of four 60-foot long by 4-foot wide sections, each weighing approximately 4300 pounds. Two cables that were attached to a counterbalance weight lifted the sections straight up. The cables were on at each end of the door. The cables were held in place by three cable clamps that were inside of a column. The victim had opened a door for a forklift that was exiting the building and then partially closed the door. The victim then opened the door for a pickup truck to exit. A guard outside of the door to look for traffic. The clamps holding the cables had loosened and the cables slipped out of the clamps and the door fell while the victim was standing under it.

MIOSHA did not issue any citations to the employer.