

A BRIEF HISTORY OF



INJURIES AND DEATH

Pilgrim's Pride poultry processing plant in Guntersville, Alabama has a record of severe, preventable injuries and death.

Jan 6, 2020

Gabriel Seth Brutley, **lost his life** to a falling material lift, but few details have been made available to the public.

Oct 15, 2019

Employee was assisting a contractor to close a trap atop a trailer. The contractor pulled the tarp and the employee fell 8 feet to the ground and **sustained fractured elbow, left wrist, head injury, and was hospitalized.**

OSHA did not inspect.

April 2019

This plant requested and was given a special waiver by the USDA to increase the number of birds they slaughter per minute.

Feb 2019

OSHA opened a **health inspection** and cited the company for not following OSHA's process safety management standards –which are about safe handling of chemicals.

Dec 2018

OSHA conducted a **health inspection**, after a complaint was filed regarding the handling of dangerous chemicals used in the plant. The plant had a fire and ammonia leak right before that. However, OSHA only looked at "handling of chemicals" and did not find any violations.

Jan 29, 2018

An employee was changing a chain on equipment when his hand was caught between the chain and a bolt, **amputating his left thumb** tip. He was **hospitalized.**

OSHA did not inspect

Jul 17, 2017

An employee tripped on the leg of a stand, **fractured his left hip** and was **hospitalized.**

OSHA did not inspect.

Feb 4, 2016

An employee was working in the saddle pack department taking product off the test line when the actuator activated and **amputated the tip of his left thumb.**

OSHA Inspection: 1125252, issued citation.

