



**ARIZONA
ROCK
PRODUCTS
ASSOCIATION**

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RE: Shotcrete, Grout and Concrete Pump Safety Alert

Arizona Shotcrete, Grout and Concrete Pumping Company Owners and Operators:

The Arizona Rock Products Association (ARPA) is the oldest mining related trade organization in Arizona and for 60 years has been providing representation for over 100 members. Of those companies, there are 45 organizations involved with; among other things, the production of aggregates, ready mix concrete and portland cement used in private and public construction projects throughout Arizona. Our construction materials producing members are combined with over 62 associate members that provide related transportation, contracting, mining supplies and consulting services.

ARPA and its members hold the safety of our employees in the highest regard. In recent Safety and Transportation Committee meetings we have had discussions regarding safety concerns related to pumps as it pertains to elbows and reducer failures. We are aware that in the past few years serious injuries have resulted from pump components rupturing or reducers coming apart. This places drivers and crews around the pumps at significant risk.

In response to this issue, we are asking you to consider installing a simple and affordable cover designed to absorb the impact of these components in the event of a failure. We feel this will go a long way in helping to ensure the safety of ready mix delivery drivers and the project related crew members.

The ARPA Safety Committee, Board of Directors and members of the Arizona Rock Products Association request that you supply covers on your pumps or some alternative form of protection in-order-to eliminate injuries caused by pump component failures. We are open to your thoughts and suggestions and invite you to attend an ARPA Safety and Transportation Committee meeting to discuss the matter further.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectively,

Steve Trussell

Steve Trussell, Executive Director

Including all-of the member companies represented below:

