

Quarry Yard Magnet Picks Up Munition

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Wharton, New Jersey A worker at the Tilcon quarry and recycling plant on Mount Hope Road reported a munition stuck in the magnet of a crusher. Following proper protocol, the Operations Manager evacuated employees and called Authorities. Picatinny Arsenal dispatched an EOD team to remove the munition from the magnet. EOD safely removed the munition (type not reported) and the facility was re-opened.

Finding munitions at the facility is a fairly common occurrence as quarry is within the area impacted by the 1926 explosion of a munitions storage magazine which scattered munitions for several miles. Over the years, munitions removal actions have been done within the quarry area resulting in munitions debris and UXO findings. Obviously, this recent find is evidence that the potential for munitions still exist at the site.