



LOSS BULLETIN

EQUIPMENT BREAKDOWN LOSS

NUMBER 13

OPERATOR ERROR DAMAGES BORING MILL



LOSS DETAILS

Nature of Business: Tool and Die Manufacturer

Type of Equipment: Horizontal Milling and Boring Machine

Age of Equipment: 2 years

Final Loss Settlement Amount: \$111,139.19

The operator of this machine had changed the machine to manual control to drill holes horizontally in the workpiece. As the cutting head was being withdrawn from one of the holes being machined, the operator proceeded to move the cutting head to the location of the next hole. In his haste, the operator neglected to ensure that the cutting head was fully withdrawn before the assembly was moved vertically. The collision resulted in extensive damage to the cutting head spindle and ceramic shaft bearings.

Despite the fact repairs were fully expedited, it still took almost two months to obtain the replacement spindle assembly from the foreign based manufacturer.

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