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## Inspection Detail

### Quick Link Reference

316515477 | 311862544 | 125837492

### Inspection: 316515477 - Alpine Meadows Ski Resort, Llc

#### Inspection Information - Office: Ca Sacramento

Nr: 316515477	Report ID: 0950621	Open Date: 12/26/2012
Alpine Meadows Ski Resort, Llc		
2600 Alpine Meadows Rd		Union Status: NonUnion
Tahoe City, CA 96145		
SIC: 7011/Hotels and Motels		
NAICS: 721110/Hotels (except Casino Hotels) and Motels		
Mailing: P.O. Box 2007, Olympic Valley, CA 96146		
Inspection Type:	Accident	
Scope:	Partial	Advanced Notice: N
Ownership:	Private	
Safety/Health:	Health	Close Conference: 05/16/2013
		Close Case: 04/20/2015
Related Activity:	Type	ID
	Accident	102682705
		Safety
		Health

#### Violation Summary

	Serious	Willful	Repeat	Other	Unclass	Total
Initial Violations	2			1		3
Current Violations	2			1		3
Initial Penalty	\$24,750			\$375		\$25,125
Current Penalty	\$20,000			\$375		\$20,375
FTA Amount						

#### Violation Items

#	ID	Type	Standard	Issuance	Abate	Curr\$	Init\$	Fta\$	Contest	LastEvent
1.	<b>01001</b>	Other	5248 A	05/20/2013	05/30/2013	\$375	\$375	\$0		-
2.	<b>02001</b>	Serious	3203 A04	05/20/2013	06/24/2013	\$6,000	\$6,750	\$0	06/22/2013	F - Formal Settlement
3.	<b>03001</b>	Serious	5357 B	05/20/2013	06/24/2013	\$14,000	\$18,000	\$0	06/22/2013	F - Formal Settlement

#### Accident Investigation Summary

Summary Nr: 202493664	Event: 12/24/2012	Employee Caught In Avalanche Later Dies
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At approximately 10:45 a.m. on December 24, 2012, Employee #1 and two coworkers were on avalanche control and tossed hand charges in new locations higher up the mountain than normal due to a heavier snow accumulation. Employee #1 and his coworkers spaced themselves about 50 feet apart down the mountain. The two higher crewmembers ignited charges simultaneously set the charges, thinking they were in a safe location, and did not seek a position behind a pre-selected terrain barrier. The blasts broke off a large slab with the fracture cutting across and behind Employee #1 catching him in the avalanche. Employee #1 traveled several hundred ft over the edge and down the gully before hitting trees and getting buried. Employee #1 was found within minutes, dug out, but was unconscious, with no pulse, multiple head, spine, and lung injuries. The team began CPR on him, then he was air lifted to a local medical center, where he died six hours later.

**Keywords:** avalanche, fracture, head, lung, spine, health care facility, explosion, tree

	Inspection			Degree	Nature	Occupation
1	316515477			Fatality	Other	Occupation not reported

**Inspection: 311862544 - Squaw Valley Ski Corp**

**Inspection Information - Office: Ca Sacramento**

Nr: 311862544 Report ID: 0950621 Open Date: 03/04/2009

Squaw Valley Ski Corp  
 1960 Squaw Valley Rd  
 Olympic Valley, CA 96146  
 SIC: 7011/Hotels and Motels  
 NAICS: 721110/Hotels (except Casino Hotels) and Motels  
 Mailing: P.O. Box 2007, Olympic Valley, CA 96146  
 Union Status: NonUnion

Inspection Type: Accident  
 Scope: Partial Advanced Notice: N  
 Ownership: Private  
 Safety/Health: Safety Close Conference: 10/12/2009  
 Close Case: 09/14/2010  
 Related Activity: Type ID Safety Health  
 Accident 102512969

**Violation Summary**

	Serious	Willful	Repeat	Other	Unclass	Total
Initial Violations	1					1
Current Violations	1					1
Initial Penalty						
Current Penalty						
FTA Amount						

**Violation Items**

#	ID	Type	Standard	Issuance	Abate	Curr\$	Init\$	Fta\$	Contest	LastEvent
1.	01001	Serious	LC6305 B	10/14/2009	11/02/2009	\$0	\$0	\$0		-

**Accident Investigation Summary**

Summary Nr: 202488250 Event: 03/03/2009 Employee Dies After Being Caught In An Avalanche

On March 3, 2009, Employee #1, a ski patroller, was positioned in a presumed safe spot on a ridge, 100 feet from the location of a hand placed explosive charge by his coworker. When the charge exploded, a slab of snow broke free and zippered up the ridge above Employee #1, catching him in an avalanche. He dropped 300 feet vertically, and 900 feet horizontally, through the trees before being found by his coworker, conscious and alert, but with broken ribs, hip, leg and internal injuries. He was transported to Tahoe Forest Hospital and then to Renown Medical Center in Reno, where he died later that day.

**Keywords:** avalanche, fracture, explosives, skiing, caught by, crushed, rib, hip, leg

	Inspection			Degree	Nature	Occupation
1	311862544			Fatality	Other	Recreation workers

**Inspection: 125837492 - Heavenly****Inspection Information - Office: Ca Sacramento**

Nr: 125837492    Report ID: 0950621    Open Date: 03/05/1999

Heavenly

3860 Saddle Rd.

South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

SIC: 7011/Hotels and Motels

Mailing: P.O. Box 2180, Stateline, NV 89448

Union Status: NonUnion

Inspection Type: Accident

Scope: Partial

Advanced Notice: N

Ownership: Private

Safety/Health: Safety

Close Conference: 03/05/1999

Close Case: 01/28/2000

Related Activity:    Type    ID    Safety    Health

Accident    361500721

Accident    361503402

**Accident Investigation Summary**

Summary Nr: 170869135

Event: 02/07/1999

Ski Patrol Member Injured When Caught In Avalanche

At approximately 1:00 p.m. on February 7, 1999, Employee #1, a ski patrol member at the Heavenly Ski Resort in South Lake Tahoe, CA, was working with an avalanche control team. The team had thrown some explosive charges and were skiing away across an open area when an avalanche occurred. Employee #1 became caught in the rushing snow and was carried between 800 and 1,000 ft downhill, landing in a tree. He was immediately attended to by other members of the team, put on a sled, and taken to the hospital. He sustained a fractured right femur and torn ligaments in both knees.

**Keywords:** avalanche, knee, fracture, skiing, fall, leg

	Inspection		Degree	Nature	Occupation
1	125837492		Hospitalized injury	Fracture	Occupation not reported

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