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**INCIDENT NOTICE**

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**INCIDENT TITLE:**                      **Truck brake fire while transporting emulsion**

<b>DATE POSTED</b> 7 April 2021	<b>REFERENCE</b> IN 21-09	<b>SOURCE</b> Anonymous
<b>INCIDENT OUTLINE</b>		
<b>When did it happen?</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> June 2020	
<b>Who experienced it?</b>	Mining Services Operation - Australia	
<b>Where did it happen?</b>	Huntly, Western Australia	
<b>What material was involved?</b>	Bulk Emulsion (Division 5.1)	
<b>What happened?</b>	A bulk explosives transport vehicle sounded air and brake alarms after travelling from a depot for about 8 minutes. The driver pulled over after another 2 minutes and noticed a fire from between the rear wheels. The driver used two fire extinguishers and the on-board water storage to douse the flames.	
<b>Why did it happen – theory?</b>	The most likely cause was a fault with a brake booster, resulting in the service brakes being applied during the trip.	
<b>What was the impact?</b>	The prompt action of the driver prevented any serious impact. The vehicle was repaired. No product was impacted.	

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**Enclosure**                                      No  
**Subsequent report**                                      No

**COMMENT**

**Value of incident**                                      Good emergency training of the operator prevented the event from escalating.

**Comment**

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