

## BEST PRACTICE

LOCATION:	Quarry	ARTICLE YEAR:	2011
ACTIVITY:	Manual handling and storage	COMPANY:	Francis Flower
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### TITLE

**Mechanical chute closing device**

### ARTICLE

#### Description

To alter the flow of material through a feed chute involved an individual trying to manipulate a steel plate located eight feet off the ground. The operation was undertaken several times a day. It was a very strenuous activity sometimes requiring a sledge hammer. It was undertaken in a poorly lit, noisy and cramped space with the potential for a fall.

The plant fitter designed, fabricated and installed a system that replaced the steel plate with a cut off slide that can be slid in and out by the use of a chain pulley system operated from ground level.

#### Benefits

- The feed control can be made quickly and accurately
- There is no manual handling
- The risk of a fall has been removed

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