Verdict of Coroner’s Jury
Office of the Chief Coroner

The Coroners Act – Province of Ontario

Surname: Hill
Given names: John Gerrard
Aged: 45

Held at: Toronto
From the: 7th of December, 2015
To the: 7th of December, 2015
By: Dr. Reuven Jhirad, Coroner for Ontario
having been duly sworn/affirmed, have inquired into and determined the following:

Name of Deceased: John Gerrard Hill
Date and Time of Death: August 16, 2011 at 15:50
Place of Death: Humber River Regional Hospital (Toronto)
Cause of Death: Right hemothorax due to laceration of the azygos vein due to blunt force injury to the chest
By what means: Accident

This verdict was received on the 7th of December, 2015
Coroner’s Name: Dr. Reuven Jhirad
(originally signed by Coroner)

We, the jury, wish to make the following recommendations:

Inquest into the death of:
John Gerrard Hill
Jury Recommendations

Ministry of Labour (MOL):
1. Conduct a feasibility study on the hiring of additional site inspectors to ensure safety measures are being followed.
2. Any fall from a height of more than 3 metres must trigger an immediate 911 call.
3. Emergency procedures and safety guidelines must clearly indicate the closest hospital including directions.
4. All safety and emergency procedures must be reviewed by the site manager with all contractors and subcontractors prior to the onset of work.