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Coroner: Man dies in industrial accident

GARDEN GROVE – A 49-year-old man died after an industrial accident, the Orange County coroner reported Saturday.

Tuan Phan of Garden Grove died at 3:12 p.m. Friday at the West Anaheim Medical Center in Anaheim, about 30 minutes after the machine operator was crushed by a circular knitting machine, according to the injury description on the coroner's website.

The incident happened at American Apparel, 12691 Pala Drive # B, in an industrial area in Garden Grove, according to Metro Net fire dispatch. Fire personnel responded to a 2:39 p.m. call of a person stuck in a machine.

Garden Grove police could not offer any other details Saturday.

Representatives of American Apparel could not be reached for comment.

According to a previous Orange County Register report, the Los Angeles-based global clothing maker signed a 10-year lease on 70,000 square feet of space at the industrial property in Garden Grove for an undisclosed price.

The deal was the largest lease transaction in the city in 2008, according to the broker's public relations firm.