A 46-year-old electrical worker, Luke J.*, and a 56-year-old warehouse worker, Roberto M.*, both died after falling through skylights while working on a roof. Luke was carrying a solar panel and tripped on the ledge of the skylight and fell backward through the skylight. Roberto was on the warehouse roof repairing a broken air conditioner. It is not known exactly how Roberto fell through the skylight.

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*Not the victim’s real name*
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