

POMONA, NY- A late surge by the Sussex County Miners was not enough as they fell 8-6 in the series opener against the New York Boulders.

Despite 11 hits, the runs didn't come with it as the Miners left multiple runners on the basepaths that squandered any hope for a ninth inning comeback.

This loss drops the Miners lead in the Atlantic Division down to four. The lead was as large as 13 at one point in the season.

Makhi Backstrom and Alex Sayre each had three hits for Sussex County. Backstrom recorded three RBIs, the only player to record multiple RBIs in today's game.

Mike Reagan stumbled out the gates in his first start after the All-Star break, going four innings and allowing seven runs on nine hits.

Boulders starter Aidan Risse threw five innings, allowing three runs on five hits and striking out six.

Alfredo Marte went 3-3 with a walk for New York, tacking on two RBIs and scoring a run.

The Miners will continue the series on Wednesday, July 23rd at 11 am. You can stream the game live on the Frontier League Network at frontierleaguetelevision.com or listen on the radio at Mixlr.com/scminers.

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