CURRENT SAFETY TOPICS

Notes of the Los Angeles/Long Beach JAPC

February 02, 2012

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REVIEW OF JANUARY 05, 2012 JAPC NOTES

Minor grammatical error corrected.

DISCUSSION TOPICS

ACCIDENT ANALYSIS

The committee was provided with the 2011 summary injury report. It was noted that 2011 finished the year with an overall reduction in injuries compared to 2010.

The committee wished to thank all longshore workers in their continuing efforts to help reduce injuries and illness in Southern California.

The committee was also provided with a detailed report that detailed 2011 injuries by body part injured, and by injury type by occupation code. Analysis of the report lead to a general discussion of the injury type for several longshore occupation codes.

The committee discussed hearing illness claims at length and noted that a safety tip flyer on how to properly wear hearing protection and hearing loss should be created. A comment was made that hearing protection training during GST once every three years is not enough. The committee also noted that hearing protection could be noted during a gangway safety talk.

SERIOUS ACCIDENTS

- 1. The committee was notified of recent workplace fatality involving a Local 94 Foreman aboard a container vessel. The details of the incident is currently under investigation. It was noted that grief counselors were on-scene to assist co-workers.
- 2. A recent incident in which a Non-ILWU mechanic injury was noted. A sidewall of a tire blew out resulting in a concussion wave injuring the mechanic 12 ft away.

OLD BUSINESS

1. 63rd ANNUAL SAFETY AWARDS

The 2011 Safety Awards will be held at the Long Beach Hyatt Regency on Thursday, March 01, 2012. The March 2012 JAPC will be cancelled since it is the same day as the event.

NEW BUSINESS

1. VESSEL LOADING PROCEDURES

The Foreman representative expressed concern with the vessel loading procedures at a POLB container terminal.

The concern was to never load the inshore pedestal first.

The vessel planner is probably unaware of the problem and the employer safety manager will follow-up with the planner.

2. RECORD OF JAPC PROJECTS

A committee member noted that with the start of the new year, the committee should keep a record of the projects the JAPC works on.

3. PORTS AMERICA "BACK TO BASICS" PROGRAM

A stevedore safety representative announced a new safety initiative titled a "back to basics" program. The program will focus on several key safety goals.

Meeting adjourned 3:15 PM. MLH