

CURRENT SAFETY TOPICS

Notes of the Los Angeles/Long Beach JAPC

June 3, 2010

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REVIEW OF MAY 6, 2010 JAPC NOTES

Greg Barker, Ports America representative requested that his name be removed from the attendance sheet as he was not in attendance during the May 6th meeting. The Local 94 representative disagreed with the intent of the definition regarding ILWU Foremen's supervisory role as stated within the third paragraph "FOREMEN SUPERVISION" listed in New Business. The Committee approved the notes as written.

DISCUSSION TOPICS

ACCIDENT ANALYSIS

The Committee was presented the quarterly manhour and injury report analysis.

SERIOUS ACCIDENTS

There were no serious accidents involving injuries reported.

1. A POLB safety manager reported of an accident where a top handler operator was traveling with the spreader opened circumventing a stack of containers; whereas the spreader struck the cans knocking them down and damaging 80 feet of fence.
2. An outside trucker drove between a non-working transtainer at the rail, cut between trans and rail and collided head on with pick up truck driven by a marine clerk.
3. UTR operator driving in assigned lane approached container gantry crane where operator positioned height of container at a low height during discharge and struck UTR.

OLD BUSINESS1. WIRES CUT ON SEMI TRACTOR'S REGEN SYSTEM

The Committee revisited the occurrence where several semi tractors that had wires cut that operate the vehicle REGEN system. The Committee noted that the wires continued to be cut. The Committee recommended that the mechanics check the vehicles determining the responsible operator.

2. CONDITION OF MARINE CLERK PICK UP TRUCK SEATS

The Committee discussed the maintenance of the driver's seat in vehicle equipment. Although, the equipment had been serviced and operational; the seat was too hard for the operator. It is necessary for mechanics to assure that the seat stays are positioned correctly for the drivers.

3. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS IN TERMINAL EQUIPMENT

The Committee revisited the issue of fire extinguishers in terminal equipment.

A Committee member noted that longshoremen have not been trained on fire fighting techniques. Therefore, a Committee member recommended that the fire extinguishers installed on cargo handling equipment should not be handled by the operator.

4. OPEN REQUEST FOR SAFETY FLYER TOPICS

The Committee discussed the feasibility of publishing a Safety Tip Flyer by the JAPC. A Committee member commented whether it would be appropriate that the Safety Tip flyer be instructional. The ILWU representatives will investigate. A request was made to determine if the Coast would be able to publish the flyer. A Committee member noted communication would produce tangible results.

NEW BUSINESS1. LASHERS

Hard hats are to be worn during lashing.

2. NEAR MISSES

A Committee member noted the importance of documenting near misses to eliminate the cause of the accident casual factors.

3. CONTAINER CRANE MOVEMENT

A Committee member recommended that a Container crane should not be moved unless there is communication from the ground.

3. CONTAINER VESSEL LIDS

The Foremen representative noted that container lids should be placed in the saddle during operations.

4. WIND ADVISORIES

The Committee discussed procedures for locking down container cranes during high wind advisories. It was noted that each crane manufacturer has their own procedures, depending on the crane and type.

Meeting Adjourned 3:00 PM