

# CURRENT SAFETY TOPICS

## Notes of the Los Angeles/Long Beach JAPC

November 16, 2023

Location: PMA 1WTC

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**REVIEW OF OCTOBER 19, 2023, JAPC NOTES**

The Committee reviewed the notes from the prior meeting.

**DISCUSSION TOPICS**

**ACCIDENT ANALYSIS**

The Committee was provided with several LA/LB injury summary reports covering 09/06/2023 to 11/03/2023 [pmap5060].

The Union requested additional information on 13 incident reports.

The Union reminded the Employers the crane or equipment number will be requested during the monthly injury report accident review. In addition, the Union also asked for crane fault and other data following a container crane loss of power / sudden stop.

It was noted that crane operators need to notify their Foremen following crane faults, so that M&R can investigate. Crane operators should not leave their crane radio channel to contact M&R directly but remain on their radio channel to contact their Foremen.

**SERIOUS INCIDENTS**

1. A M&R Employer representative provided details on a recent incident involving a multi-piece rim explosion. The mechanic failed to run a wire thru the valve stem to ensure full tire deflation. The tire & wheel separated at force resulting in minor injuries to the mechanic.
2. The foreman safety representative provided details of a gantry crane pinning a repair truck against the bollard. It was noted the vessel foreman could not view the crane number to contact the crane operator to stop trolleying.

**OLD BUSINESS**1. Working at Heights Subcommittee

The Union requested a LB side crane drill be scheduled with LB Fire.

2. Local 13 Letter to Employers re: Incident Data Collection on Top Handlers vs Pick Up Trucks

The JAPC sub-committee continues to request the top handler incident form be completed for review. [Item requested to remain open by Union].

3. Secondary Attachment Device on Personnel Cages

The Employers have been reminded that both the PCMSC and OSHA regulations require a secondary means of attachment when secured by twistlocks. The JAPC sub-committee also recommended that a secondary locking device be installed when possible. [Item requested to remain open by Union].

4. Plate Atop Personnel Cage Requiring Bypass

The foremen representative discussed rescue equipment concerns with the Committee. It was noted that several terminals have a either a gap (or large spacing in the metal covering) atop their personnel cage (used to remove injured workers from the vessel) that causes a crane fault and requires a bypass. If a small metal plate is placed below the spreader sensor this will avoid the fault and not require a bypass. [Item requested to remain open by Union].

5. Container Crane Sequential Numbering

The Union noted that when moving / re-assigning crane numbers that it is important to have the proper elevator conveyance and crane serial numbers assigned properly.

6. Top Handler Metal Plate to Prevent Overlaps

The Union requested that Top Handlers be equipped with a metal plate that is provided by the manufacturer. The metal plate prevents overlaps to avoid hooking containers during placement. Picture included. The Union stated during the meeting they will follow-up with additional information.



## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. JAPC Sub-Committee on Hand Injuries

The longshore safety representative requested the JAPC form a sub-committee to discuss hand injuries to longshore workers.

2. JAPC Sub-Committee on Wheel Guards

The longshore safety representative requested the JAPC form a sub-committee on RTG/Transtainer wheel guard requirements.

The Committee was reminded of PCMSC Rule 1445:

*Rule 1445. All transtainers shall be guarded with wheel fenders, bumpers, or skirt guards which shield each wheel to the front and rear extended to the lowest practicable level above ground and of sufficient height to push a person out of the way of the wheel.*

3. JAPC Sub-Committee on Hydrogen & Electric Equipment Safety Issues

The longshore safety representative requested the JAPC forms a new standing sub-committee to discuss various safety concerns related to hydrogen and electric equipment, hydrogen storage / delivery, fueling, permitting, and related topics. The Committee members do not need to be drawn from the JAPC, but can be composed of Employer subject matter experts such as M&R, Procurement, ENVIRO department.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. No New Business

Meeting adjourned at 3:35 pm.