

Final Report on Injury Accident

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HISTORY:

On May 9, 2011, at approximately 1:00pm, Westcon announced that they were going to send workers home early due to the wet and muddy conditions, with exception of the material handling crews and dewatering crews. Crews were going to finish the immediate tasks and place the job site in safe configuration.

At approximately 1:45, the Pipe fitting crew, was placing the final section of 2" pipe in the rack, in Area 52. When moving the pipe down the rollers a worker caught her right hand between the roller and the pipe. The result was a laceration to the right hand and a fracture to the knuckle of the small finger.

Immediate action taken:

The worker was taken to the first aid office. James Ereccion administered first aid and the worker was transported to the McKenzie County Hospital. She was treated and transported to St. Alexis Medical Center. She received treatment and was released with restriction to her right hand.

Action Taken:

Linde and Westcon management conducted a Root Cause Analysis. On Wednesday, May 11, 2011. There were several secondary and Primary Causes identified. All of which have been addressed.

Root Cause:

It was identified that the Root Cause was "Failure to provide training for line management and line workers on Westcon procedures for basic pipe handing functions. Most of the workers are new hires and have not reviewed Westcon standard operating procedures. The root cause analysis includes Corrective Actions to be completed by 05/20/2011.

The Worker is back at work and function well. The accident was not a lost time.


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