



CONCRETE PUMP TRUCK BLOWOUTS

KEEP COWORKERS SAFE ON THE JOB

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**WORKERS WHO DRIVE, OPERATE, AND/OR WORK
NEAR CONCRETE PUMP
TRUCKS ARE AT RISK OF BEING INJURED, OR
EVEN KILLED, WITHOUT SAFETY
PRECAUTIONS TO PROTECT THEM FROM SUDDEN
BLOWOUTS**

**RECENTLY, AN INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION
INFORMED L&I'S DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL
SAFETY AND HEALTH (DOSH) OF AN INCREASE IN
INJURIES AND NEAR-MISS INCIDENTS
ASSOCIATED WITH BLOWOUTS (PIPE FAILURES)
AT JOBSITES. ASSOCIATION MEMBERS OBSERVED
TRANSITION SHIELD DEVICES DESIGNED TO
PROTECT WORKERS WERE NOT AVAILABLE (E.G.,
NOT PROVIDED OR MISSING), INSTALLED
INCORRECTLY, NOT USED, OR IN POOR
CONDITION**



BLOWOUTS EXPOSE WORKERS TO SERIOUS INJURIES SUCH AS

- **BROKEN BONES**
- **FACE AND EYE INJURIES**
- **INTERNAL INJURIES**
- **SEVERE CUTS AND LACERATIONS**



SERIOUS INJURIES LIKE THESE ARE PREVENTABLE WHEN YOU

- **ADDRESS THE USE OF TRANSITION SHIELDS IN YOUR REQUIRED ACCIDENT PREVENTION PROGRAM**
- **CREATE AND IMPLEMENT AN INSPECTION PROCEDURE TO ENSURE PROPER INSTALLATION OF SHIELDS**
- **REGULARLY INSPECT PIPES AND CLAMPS, ESPECIALLY THE WALL THICKNESS OF THE PIPES; AND REPLACE WHEN CONDITIONS WARRANT**



**IN ADDITION TO BLOWOUT HAZARDS,
EMPLOYERS MUST IDENTIFY AND
ADDRESS ALL SITE-SPECIFIC HAZARDS AS
PART OF THEIR WRITTEN REQUIRED
ACCIDENT PREVENTION PROGRAM (APP)
AND, WHEN APPLICABLE, OTHER SAFETY
PROGRAMS. A JOB HAZARD OR SAFETY
ANALYSIS CAN HELP YOU IDENTIFY
HAZARDS EFFECTIVELY AND EFFICIENTLY.**



**BLOWOUTS CAN OCCUR SUDDENLY
BEFORE YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO REACT.
BETTER TO PROTECT WORKERS FROM
BLOWOUTS NOW BEFORE SOMEONE GETS
HURT**





A TRANSITION SHIELD LIKE THE ONE SHOWN HERE IS ONE SAFETY MEASURE THAT CAN KEEP WORKERS SAFE FROM BLOWOUTS.

