



IUEC INCIDENT SUMMARY

CLOSE CALLS, NEAR MISSES AND INJURIES

INJURY

April 28th, 2023---IUEC Safety Stand Down Day



Description of Incident

Control Type: Electric

Machine Type: Gearless MRL

Speed: 150 FPM

Capacity: 2500 Lbs.

Rise: 4 floors

Hoistway: Simplex



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- As a mechanic was handing a cordless bandsaw to his apprentice, the apprentice grabbed it by the handle and accidentally pulled the trigger
 - The apprentice tried to grab the stabilizing handle with his left hand but instead grabbed the moving blade
 - The bandsaw blade cut a deep gash in his left pinkie finger
 - Current status:
 - The apprentice will be on medical leave for one to two weeks while his finger heals



Recommendations & Lessons Learned



- Always follow the company safety policy
- Always perform a JHA/JSA per company policy
- Possible root causes:
 - Most battery powered portable bandsaws are equipped with a “lock-off” button. Always lock the trigger switch when carrying or storing the tool to eliminate unintentional starting
 - Carrying power tools with your finger on the switch or energizing power tools that have the switch on invites accidents

OSHA 1926

Subpart I – Tools Hand and Power

1926.300 General requirements

(c) Personal protective equipment. Employees using hand and power tools and exposed to the hazard of falling, flying, abrasive, and splashing objects, or exposed to harmful dusts, fumes, mists, vapors, or gasses shall be provided with the particular personal protective equipment necessary to protect them from the hazard. All personal protective equipment shall meet the requirements and be maintained according to Subparts D and E of this part.