



IUEC INCIDENT SUMMARY

CLOSE CALLS, NEAR MISSES AND INJURIES

“CLOSE CALL”

April 28th 2024---IUEC Safety Stand Down Day



Description of Incident

Control Type: Electric

Machine Type: Gearless

Speed: 850 FPM

Capacity: 5,000 lbs.

Rise: 21 stops

Hoistway Configuration: 3 Car Bank



- A construction team was preparing to install a traveling cable from the 21st floor
- The traveling cable spool and reel stands were on the running platform, ready to run down. At this time, the team noticed that the traveling cable was going to reel off incorrectly.
- They lowered the travel cable spool down from the reel stands and began to spin the traveling cable to the correct position while they were on the running platform
- As they were repositioning the cable spool, one of the reel stands was knocked over and fell down the hoistway 21 floors

Current Status:

- There were no injuries, the team was using fall protection correctly, and proper PPE was worn by all members involved
- As the reel stand fell down the hoistway it damaged a rail bracket and a comp rope



Recommendations and Lessons Learned

- Always follow the company safety policy
- Always perform a JHA/JSA per company policy
- Potential hazards associated with rotating the traveling cable spool on the running platform at the 21st floor must be considered
- The team should have rolled the spool off the running platform, rotated the spool at the landing, and then rolled it back onto the running platform

Field Employees' Safety Handbook

11.1 Running Platforms

(c) Fall protection should always be utilized – However, if a personal fall protection system is not utilized, the running platform shall be equipped with guard rails and toeboards. The front of the platform shall be equipped with removable guardrails until the front of the hoistway is completely enclosed.

