



IUEC INCIDENT SUMMARY

CLOSE CALLS & INJURIES

INJURY

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Warning – Contains Graphic Image



Description of Incident

Control Type: Electric

Machine Type: Hydraulic

Work Type: Construction

Speed: 100 ft/min, Capacity: 2,000 lbs

Rise: 3 Floors

Hoistway Configuration: Simplex

JHA/JSA Completed: No

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- A construction crew was tearing out a roped hydraulic elevator to install an electric MRL
 - The crew used a sheetrock cart to transport the original platform to the dumpster for disposal
 - When they tried to flip the platform into the dumpster, they lost control and the mechanic's left index finger was caught between the dumpster wall and the platform

Current Status:

The mechanic had surgery to repair the extensor tendon. Pins and wires were inserted to hold the fractured and broken bones in place. He remained in the hospital overnight on antibiotics. He will be on light duty for 4-6 weeks



Recommendations & Lessons Learned

- Always follow the company safety policy
- Always perform a JHA/JSA as per company policy
- Disassemble or separate components to make transportation safer

Possible Root Cause:

- No lifting plan in place for oversized objects

Field Employees' Safety Handbook

Section 12 Material Handling

12.1 Manual Handling Lifting of Material

(a) When any heavy object is to be lifted and carried to another point, first inspect and clear the area and route over which the object is to be carried. Be sure nothing is in the way that might cause slipping or tripping.

(b) Inspect the object to be lifted to determine how it will be grasped. Make sure it is free of sharp edges, protruding nail points, slivers or other hazards that might cause injury to the hands or body. Wear appropriate gloves to protect hands. (See Section 3.)

