

Incident Learning: What happened?

On 27 February 2019 at approximately 15h00 a worker who was working in Tank C10 at KTF (Killarney Tank Farm) exited the tank after experiencing difficulty with his fresh air breathing supply. After exiting the tank, the worker sat down and with the assistance of the safety watcher, removed his mask and was able to breathe.

What are the learnings for implementation?

- A defect was found on the fresh air face mask worn by the worker
- All fresh air face masks on-site have been returned to Supplier stores for testing of any similar defects.
- The Fire Dept. will only issue fresh air masks that have been tested and verified by Supplier.
- Workers must conduct functional tests, such as high and low pressure tests on their fresh air equipment before entering confined spaces. Do not remove your face mask when in a confined space.