

Safety Bulletin

Contractor amputation of fingertip

Incident Details

LI NLI #: Knowledge Sharing

Location

Location Name: On forecourt

Location Address: Durban

Contact Information

Contact Person:

Contact E-mail Address:

Reference

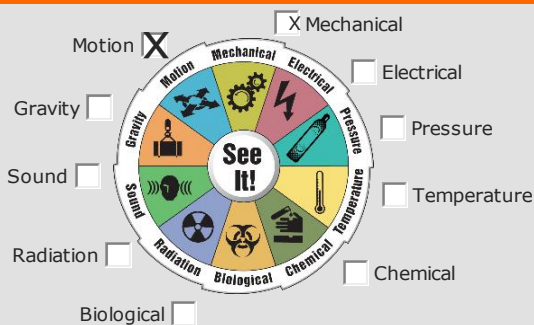
Distribution

☒ Local Site: All

☒ BUs: All

☒ Departments: All

Hazards Implicated



Life-saving Behaviours Implicated:



Stop work if you think it is unsafe



Always report injuries and High Potential Risk Incidents (HPRI)

Description

On the 14/06/2023, a contractor, working on the forecourt of a service station in Durban, was busy with core drilling, when they lost control of the drill they were using. The coring machine fell onto the contractors left hand severing the tip of the middle finger.

Investigation findings

- The barrel of the drilling machine was engaged with the drilling device.
- The device was attached to the stand.
- A safety device on the stand is available to secure the unit in place when not actively coring.
- The barrel landed on the employees left middle finger whilst he was measuring the depth of the hole.
- The risk of the barrel in an elevated position was not sufficiently mitigated in the JLA (job loss analysis).

Lessons Learned

- Always follow processes and procedures.
- Always conduct a pre-job brief for any task.
- Ensure you are always focused on the task at hand.
- Conduct an LPSA (loss prevention self assessment) before, during and after a task.
- Keep clear of line of fire.
- Ensure planned maintenance of equipment is adhered to.
- Ensure JLA's address all critical risks of the task.
- When amending JLA's, train all relevant staff on the changes.
- Ensure correct PPE is worn and in good condition.



In the event of a serious or life-threatening injury, contact your local emergency medical service immediately.



STOP work if you think it is unsafe. Use your LPSA: Assess, Analyse, Act