

## **CURRENT SAFETY TOPICS**

### **Notes of the Los Angeles/Long Beach JAPC**

**May 05, 2011**

#### JAPC UNION REPRESENTATIVES

*Marco Geich (Chairman)	ILWU Local 94
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*Gary Kelley	ILWU Local 13
*Dave Beeman	ILWU Local 13

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Kat Evans	Eagle Marine Services
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Chris Cheshire	Yusen Terminals

#### SECRETARY

Michael Hall

Pacific Maritime Association

**REVIEW OF April 07, 2011 JAPC NOTES**

No corrections noted.

**DISCUSSION TOPICS****ACCIDENT ANALYSIS**

The committee was provided with the 2011 quarterly manhour & injury report. Q1 2011 reflected a 4.01 IR rate for LA/Long Beach.

**SERIOUS ACCIDENTS**

1. A terminal safety director described an incident in which a marine clerk drove her pick-up truck underneath a stationary bombcart. The driver was reaching for a salad she had placed on the dashboard to prevent it from falling, in doing so she lost control of the vehicle and allided with the bombcart. It was noted that the driver was wearing a seatbelt which resulted in only minor injuries.
2. A container terminal safety manager provided details in which a foreman drove his vehicle into the chassis of an OTR truck driver. The OTR truck was parked in the flip line waiting for service. The foreman was wearing his seatbelt which resulted in only minor injuries

The committee went on to discuss seat belt compliance within the port. It was noted that thru awareness & compliance enforcement, overall seatbelt usage has dramatically improved among vehicle drivers.

3. A safety manager described a recent injury in which a top handler operator tipped the vehicle over.

The committee went on to discuss the effectiveness in using recent example of terminal accidents and/or injuries as discussion topics during the gangway safety talks. The question on how best to take advantage of an accident was posed to the committee.

4. A container terminal safety manager provided details on an equipment failure. The catenary wire rope failed on a container gantry crane. The catenary has two sets of wire ropes, when one failed the catenary cocked and partially derailed. The front wheel keeper broke off allowing the wheel to fall to the ground. No injuries were reported. It was noted that neither the operation of the crane or maintenance issues were a direct cause of the wire rope failure.
5. The committee was advised of a recent fatality at a marine terminal in Florida.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. PICK-UP TRUCK MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

A marine clerk representative noted an increasing problem of pick-up truck maintenance and safety issues. The representative informed the employers of a labor program in being more proactive in getting vehicles fixed.

A longshore representative provided additional details on passenger vans maintenance & repair issues.

2. PAG SAFETY WEEK & JAPC INFO TABLE

The committee was informed on the success of the JAPC safety informational table that was manned by ILWU & employers during all three days of the PAG Safety Week.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. GST 8 DEVELOPMENT

The PMA Training representative informed the committee on the progress of the Joint Coast Safety Committee efforts to develop new curriculum for the next round of GST training (GST 8). Suggestions or training topics should be passed to their Coast representative.

Meeting adjourned 3:05 PM.  
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