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0002 Monthly Report

Somber Reminder of Workplace Safety

It has been 15 years since the Kleen Energy Plant explosion took the lives of six people and injured dozens of others. Sunday, February 2nd, an annual remembrance ceremony brought people back to the plant to honor the workers and bring attention to workplace safety. "We honor them and we remember them, keep their legacy alive cause it could have been any one of us that day," said Paul Venti, a former plant worker and the event organizer. The explosion happened on the morning of February 7th, 2010 when workers were cleaning debris from the natural gas pipes at the Kleen Energy Systems Plant and the gas ignited. The explosion was so intense it was felt in homes miles away. An investigation later found numerous safety violations. Every year, family members of the workers are joined by union members and state and local officials at the memorial outside the plant. There you can see a plaque that lists the names of the six workers: Peter Chepulis, Ronald Crabb, Raymond Dobratz, Kenneth Haskell, Roy Rushton and Vance Walters. Union leaders say this day is a reminder that workplace safety should be a top priority in every industry. Connecticut AFL-CIO President, Ed Hawthorne, spoke and said, "From Kleen Energy to L'ambiance to Sandy Hook to the plane crash and helicopter collision in DC, we are constantly reminded of the need for safety on the job." One of the best ways we can honor those that we have lost in workplace tragedy to continuing to fight for better safer conditions in our own workplaces. "Mourn the dead and fight like hell for the living", Mary "Mother" Jones.



Annual Inspections

Assured Equipment Grounding (AEG) and Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) Testing Reminder

AEG Program Requirements

RTX and P&W procedures **require** annual fault inspection and testing for all portable electrical tools/equipment 50V or higher (grounded and double insulated). Items subject to this requirement includes hand-held power tools, extension cords, electroeth, portable x-ray equipment, wet/dry vacuums, and industrial shop fans. ANY new electrical tool acquired must be tested/inspected prior to first use.

GFCI Program Requirements

RTX and P&W procedures **require** annual testing for all portable Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs).

If you see this



It should be this



Submit PMR to electricians

A RED sticker indicating the year of test approval shall be affixed to each piece of portable equipment and GFCI tested for 2024.

February is Portable Ladder Inspection Month

All portable ladders require an annual inspection. Please take a look at the below tips when conducting an inspection

- Portable ladders must be inspected before the end of the first quarter every year.
- Anyone who has completed EHS4M100, Ladder Safety, can perform a ladder inspection.
- Ladder inspection sticker (P&W F-7820) must be affixed to the side of the ladder to document inspection.
- If the ladder inspection sticker is damaged, illegible or full, replace it with a new one.
- Ladders must meet the criteria set forth in the affixed checklists
- If any deficiencies are found, the ladder must be removed from service.
- Select departments also affix a color coded zip tie along with P&W F-7820 to indicate inspection (2025 is RED)

DAVEY LADDER SAFETY CHECKLIST

ONE-STEP LADDERS

- Check for damage to rungs, rails, and feet
- Check for missing or damaged rungs
- Check for missing or damaged feet
- Check for missing or damaged safety caps
- Check for missing or damaged safety pins
- Check for missing or damaged safety latches
- Check for missing or damaged safety catches
- Check for missing or damaged safety locks
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- Check for missing or damaged safety latches
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- Check for missing or damaged safety locks

STEP LADDERS

- Check for damage to rungs, rails, and feet
- Check for missing or damaged rungs
- Check for missing or damaged feet
- Check for missing or damaged safety caps
- Check for missing or damaged safety pins
- Check for missing or damaged safety latches
- Check for missing or damaged safety catches
- Check for missing or damaged safety locks

EXTENSION LADDERS

- Check for damage to rungs, rails, and feet
- Check for missing or damaged rungs
- Check for missing or damaged feet
- Check for missing or damaged safety caps
- Check for missing or damaged safety pins
- Check for missing or damaged safety latches
- Check for missing or damaged safety catches
- Check for missing or damaged safety locks

ROLLING LADDERSTAIRS SAFETY CHECKLIST

- Ladder should be straight and square.
- Ladder wing brake (if so equipped) is operational.
- Wheel and castor bearings should be free rolling.
- Ladder frame, rails, steps and handrails are in good condition with NO loose or broken bolts or nuts.
- Castor fasteners are securely attached.
- Ladder is in good condition without any severe bending or twisting of rails, steps, handrails and handrails.
- Wheels are in good condition with no rips or tears in wheel material.
- Step plates have slip resistant surface (sand slip material or non-slip surface).
- Ladder lock step (if so equipped) is operational.
- If provided, manufacturer's labels on equipment must be intact and readable.

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Date	Inspector	Date	Inspector

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To view the full Monthly EHS report, go to iam700.org click on [Environmental Health & Safety – CANEL Lodge 700 \(iam700.org\)](http://Environmental Health & Safety – CANEL Lodge 700 (iam700.org))

Respectively submitted Chief Union Safety Representative Mike Lamoureux.

Watch Out! Sharp!

At the safety stand down in October last year there was a push for the use of blade covers on parts moving around the shop. If you have a part that uses a blade cover please make sure that it is being used. These covers are to protect parts from FOD and people from laceration potential.



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Winners:

Robert Wolak

Peter Tirado

Bryan Steeves Jr.

Samuel Sweet

Maria Campelli

Brenda Bednar

David Noel

Matthew Cox



Want to make your workplace safer?

Have good problem solving skills?

Do you care about your health and the health of your coworkers?

Ever consider becoming a Union Health and Safety Representative?

Currently seeking representative for first and second shift. Getting representation from PDC/ SEV/ F&S would be great but all interested are welcome to inquire. If interested reach out to a Union Health and Safety Rep, Steward, or to Mike Lamoureux directly.

Lets help each other stay healthy and safe!