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MONTHLY EH&S REPORT FOR

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0003 Monthly Report

Suspended Loads— Danger Overhead!

Lately, unattended suspended loads have been seen around the site on a frequent basis. A suspended load is essentially anything that is lifted off the ground or a surface by a hoist system. Hoisted loads (including modules, tooling, fixtures, below-the-hook lifting devices [BTHLD], etc.) must always be under the control of an attentive operator. If you find you need to step away, please remember to lower the load to rest on a surface such as a workstation table, into the designated container, or onto tooling/stand, to name a few examples.

An unattended suspended load inside a machine or over a platform is not allowed.

Tips to Remember Regarding Suspended Loads

- Never leave a load unattended while suspended.
- Never pass under a suspended load.
- Never leave hoist controls when load is raised.
- Employees shall only approach the load once it is at its lowest point provided that the fixture/equipment that the load is being placed onto is capable of supporting the load and will remain stable if the load falls.
- Material cannot be stored as a suspended load including BTHLD and tooling.
- Do not perform any work on a suspended load that requires a worker to be positioned under the suspended load.
- If it is essential that a worker be positioned under a suspended load to perform work on the suspended load, such work shall not be started or performed until other auxiliary supporting means are placed under the suspended load (i.e. carts, stands, etc.).
- Return the load block to its designated location after use



Upcoming Audit

April 7th-11th, 2025 Middletown will have its EH&S Assurance Review. This is the large EH&S audit we must complete every four years. Auditors will be on site to review Middletown's compliance with:

- OSHA, EPA, CT DEEP, etc.
- RTX EHS Management Systems
- P&W EHS Procedures
- Site EHS Procedures



If you find hazards/ non-compliances in your work area, submit a riddi so we can get it corrected before it becomes a finding.

EPA Surprise!

On February 24th and 25th the EPA showed up in Middletown for a surprise audit of our site. Four auditors toured buildings 220, 230, 400, 410, and the MCL lab. At the end of the two days the EPA had come back with 5 findings. One concerning a box of lightbulbs that was open, and immediately closed. Two concerning inspection areas side by side being inspected as one area. Two concerning contact person on the Hazardous Waste Contingency Plan, Kevin O'Brien, who retired 6 days before the audit. Thankfully all of these were easy fixes and the EPA has allowed time to correct the issues before handing down penalties.

Hurting your brothers/sisters

Many reports have come in from our members and management that we are having some issues with people intentionally damaging equipment. Both facilities and MTS have reported having to fix what looks like sabotage. Whether is it shop towels in coolant tanks, or disconnected wires, or backed up toilets, it is our own brothers and sisters that have to fix these issues. While tensions with the company rise in contract time remember that destruction of company property leads to putting our own people in disgusting and dangerous situations.

To learn more about the I.A.M.A.W. Safety and Health click on the link [Safety and Health - IAMAW \(goiam.org\)](http://Safety and Health - IAMAW (goiam.org))

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.



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!

February Ridii

Edward Handrigan

Winners:

Jonathan Gonzalez Deleon

Keith Jones

Julian Ellis

Richard Allaire Jr

Fredi Haxhi

Erin Innis

Tyler Spanswick



2025 Middletown Blood Drives

All Drives Scheduled for 2025:

March 14

May 9

July 11

Aug 8

Sept 12

****NEW LOCATION FOR 2025****

All Drives are Held in Cafeteria

11:00am – 4:30pm



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