

## TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT – Fall From Moving Vehicle

CAMs #345082

### 1. Incident

On Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> of July, at about 3:30 in the morning, a traffic management team were packing up their equipment on a work site in the Wairarapa. They'd finished picking up signs and cones on the main highway and the truck had looped back to collect the last bits of equipment from a side road. Two traffic controllers (TCs) were on the back of the truck. Although both TCs were wearing their harnesses, it appears that at the time of the accident neither TC was tethered to the truck. As the truck has crossed a bridge one of the TCs has fallen from the deck and on to the road.

The worker who has fallen has suffered very serious head and other injuries and is currently being treated in intensive care in Wellington hospital.

### 2. Contributing Factors

At this early stage, we don't yet know what's led to this awful accident. However, events like this remind us of the importance of our safety culture, our safety systems, and the tools and equipment we rely on every day to protect us.

Lifesaving equipment like: machinery guards, ERoads, emergency stops, seatbelts, harnesses and lanyards, forward and driver facing dash cameras, reversing beepers, park brake alarms, etc. all play a vitally important part in getting us home safely at the end of each shift. **They must always be maintained and kept in good working order. They must never be tampered with and must always be used.**

### 3. Mandatory Requirements

Please complete the following actions:

- This Thursday (7 July) we're asking everyone who works on our sites to stop work at 3:00pm and:
  - Watch Ben Hayward's 5<sup>th</sup> July video again, as a team, and pause to think about our injured colleague. *(Scan or click the QR code to access the video)*
  - Talk with your workmates about how precious life is and how much things would change if someone in your team, or your family, lost their life at work.
  - List out the safety devices your team relies on each day and check that these safety devices are fitted, working properly, and that everyone knows how to use them.
  - Lock out any tools, plant or machinery that does not have the required safety gear fitted and working and don't use it until it is fixed.
- Remind all staff involved in Traffic Management about our requirements to wear tethered harnesses when working on the back of a moving TTM truck and discuss the reasons for this.



NB: Those working nightshift will need to find a suitable time to stop work and complete these actions on Thursday evening.

### 4. Revision History

Date	Author	Brief Description of Change
4 July 2022	T Talbot	Author
4 July 2022	S Jack	FH Legal comments

## 5. Closeout Requirements

Please discuss this Red Alert with your teams, complete the items below and return to your Safety Manager. They will collate all responses for the business unit and send a single confirmation to the HSQES Analyst at [nzincident@fultonhogan.com](mailto:nzincident@fultonhogan.com) before 1 August 2022.

5.1. What date was this Red Alert communicated to the workplace: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/20\_\_\_\_

5.2. Could this incident occur in your Region/Project? (Circle your answer below)

- YES**      If Yes, please answer questions 5.3 & 5.4
- NO**        If No, please answer question 5.5

5.3. Have all the actions and recommendations been implemented? (Circle your answer below)

- YES**      If Yes, please answer question 5.4
- NO**        If No, please answer question 5.5

5.4. Are these measures sufficient to eliminate or reduce the risk of an incident (or similar) described in the alert from happening again? (Circle your answer below)

**YES or No**

If No, please raise a CAM's case listing the required actions and accountabilities to be taken in order to eliminate or reduce the risk. Record the CAM's number below:

**CAMs Case Number:** CAMs-\_\_\_\_\_

5.5. Please note the reasons why this incident could not occur within your region / project?

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In signing this document, I confirm that the actions above have been completed in this region/project.

Region / Project: \_\_\_\_\_

Region / Project Manager Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_