

SLIP, TRIP & FALL HAZARDS IN THE FIELD GAS COMPRESSION INDUSTRY



Objectives

- *Review data and basic requirements
- *Understand common challenges faced in the field
- *Understand direct and indirect results
- *Discuss solutions, and Success



Statistics - Nationwide

Slips, trips and falls are a major cause of workplace injuries. Unsafe conditions and behaviors, along with a lack of safety awareness, can lead to these types of accidents.



SLIPS, TRIPS & FALLS:

15% of all accidents

on the same level are the LEADING CAUSE OF

25,000 SLIP, TRIP & FALL ACCIDENTS occur DAILY in the US*

* National Safety Council ** Bureau of Labor Statistics



Statistics - Nationwide

Per the Liberty Mutual Workplace Safety Index, in 2014, "falls on same level" ranked #2 as a leading cause of disabling injuries, with direct costs to U.S. industry of \$9.19 Billion

"Slip or trip without fall" was ranked #7, with direct costs of \$2.17 Billion.

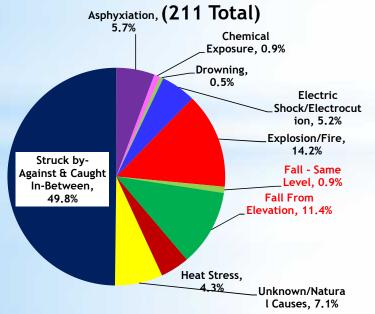






Statistics – Industry Specific

2012-2015 OSHA Data for NAICS 211111, 213111 and 213112 Fatal Incidents



Field Gas Compression is NAICS 213112

Fall related injuries caused 12.3% of all fatalities during a 3-year period

About 1/3 of non-fatal injuries are slip/trip/fall incidents



Statistics – Industry Specific

The Stats Do Not Always Reflect the Whole Picture

Most slips/trips/falls are non-fatal OSHA-Recordable or First Aid case only Some workers may not report at all - no injury, embarrassed

May be categorized by injury/result, not cause (i.e., 'drowning' or 'MSD', but caused by a fall)

Many smaller oil & gas employers, who do not report data anywhere, or report only raw TRIR data





Basic OSHA Regulations Let's Review...

January 2017 - All New/Revised Regulations in 1910 Subpart D Walking-Working Surfaces for General Industry, 1910.21-30

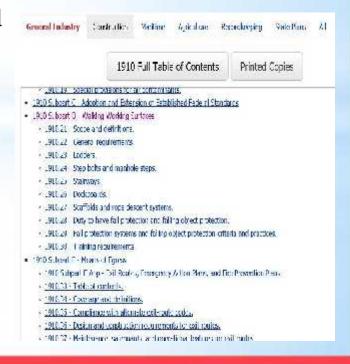
Most changes already required, with phase-out of fixed ladder safety cages (>24') occurring through 2036

Covers many industries, including O&G









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"All Facilities", shops, passageways and access routes are required to be kept clean, orderly and free of surface hazards, such as loose items and holes, within walking areas.

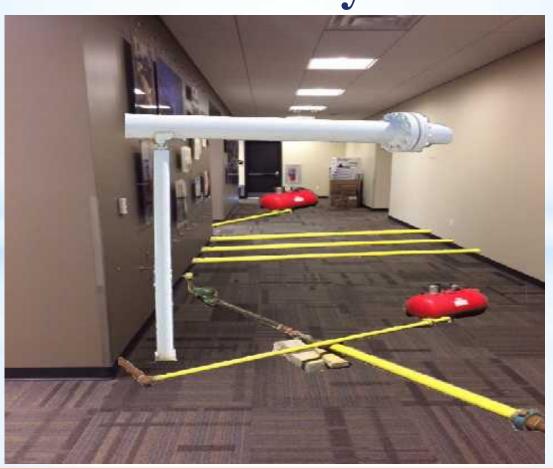
A stairway or ladder at any point of access/travel where there is an elevation break of 19 inches or more, railing and possibly toeboards for stairways or work platforms at 4 feet or more in height.

Ladder safety system or personal fall arrest for ladders 24 feet or higher. Self closing safety gates for all fixed ladders.

Conduct Walking-Working Surface hazard assessments for all work sites.

Provide one of several acceptable means of protecting workers, and training.

What if this was your office?



Or This...?





A Day at The Office



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Compressor Service Technicians

Emissions Specialists

Lease / Station / Plant Operators

Component Specialists, such as CAT or GE/Waukesha

Installation crews (welders, roustabouts, crane operators/riggers, etc.)

Supervision, Sales, Engineering, Safety



Common Challenges - General

Weather / Nature / Working Outdoors

Working Solo, Human Nature

Geography/Terrain, Remote Areas

Market Stability, "Boom or Bust"







Common Challenges - Industry Specific

Industry Specific Slip/Trip/Fall Hazards:

Two Classes - LOCATION and EQUIPMENT



Common Challenges - Industry Specific

LOCATION HAZARDS

Contractor vs. Customer Relationship Work Environment Not Controlled by Those Most Affected by the Hazards

Piping, tubing, hoses run along surface of location (#1 Cause of many incidents)







Common Challenges - Industry Specific LOCATION HAZARDS

Uneven terrain, holes/trenches, wheel ruts, containment and fire walls, spill control liners,

raised or sunken compressor foundations

Tie-downs, guy wires, stakes, tarps, ground rods

Lack of lighting









Common Challenges - Industry Specific

EQUIPMENT HAZARDS

High level of Variation with gas compressors – design, packager, age, application, other factors

Safe access to package skid, engine, exhaust/catalysts

Lots of onboard piping, conduit/wiring, pressure vessels

Safe access/work on top of cooler when required Most field compression Not inside a (proper) building

Trucking/shipping requirements, portability







Common Challenges - Industry Specific

EQUIPMENT HAZARDS

Smaller compressors mounted on trailers present unique hazards







Direct Results

Multiple Types of Injuries

OSHA Recordables, First Aid, Lost Work Days

Short or even Long Term Disability

Quality of Life



Indirect Results

Higher TRIR and Severity Rate

Higher EMR

Competitiveness and Profitability Issues

Lower Scores in ISN, PEC, Veriforce, etc.

Morale Issues, "Set Up to Fail", then penalized for being "Unsafe"



What's the Solution?

CREATE AWARENESS!!!

Get the word out.

People cannot fix problems they do not know about or fully understand.



Solutions – Upper Level



- 1. Develop minimum standards (GCA, GMRC)
- 2. Agree to follow the standards (MSAs, Contracts, Policies)
- 3. Hold all parties accountable to the standards (Audits, JSAs, Assessments)

Solutions – Upper Level

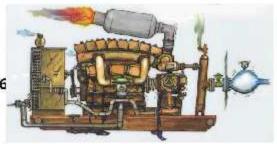


GMRC High Speed Compressor Package Guideline Project

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Work Team Kick-Off

ACI Services Inc. W. Norm Shade, PE Nov 20/Dec 1, 2016



Work form Launch Nev. 98/Doc. 1, 2014

2017 Field Gas Compressor Guideline (High Speed Recip & Screw)

Developers: Gas Machinery Research Council, in partnership with the Gas Compressor Association

Intent: An Industry Standard, with field gas compressor specific content on numerous aspects, many of which affect safety

Solutions – Field Level

Perform WWS-Specific Hazard Assessments and Site Inspections

Share Site Inspection Results with Customers Gather Data, Prioritize, Seek Changes and Improvements to LOCATION as needed

Gather Data, Prioritize, Implement Changes and Improvements to EQUIPMENT as needed

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Solutions – Location Hazards



Day tank hoses replaced with sub-surface piping!

Address LOCATION Hazards During Unit Set (Install) Not Created at the Start vs. Correcting After the Fact

Reps for all Parties On Site, Plus Construction Crews and Equipment

Hot Work, 811/Dig Tess, LO/TO, etc., Likely Already Done

Much Easier to Install or Re-Route Piping



Solutions – Location Hazards

On Location, cover piping/hoses with gravel or route to avoid hazards. Ensure a clear path around equipment!







Solutions – Location Hazards

Use bright color paints to identify permanent hazards, plus cones, orange fencing, etc. for temporary ones.

Provide cross-overs for piping and firewalls.

Provide lighting.







Solutions – Equipment Hazards

Correct EQUIPMENT hazards during engine swings, unit make-ready and other downtime opportunities.

In-Shop Is Easier Than In-Field!







Solutions – Equipment Hazards

Provide OSHA WWS-compliant access for all parts of compressor packages.

Stairs, ladders, non-slip platforms, railing systems, toeboards, anchorage points, etc.

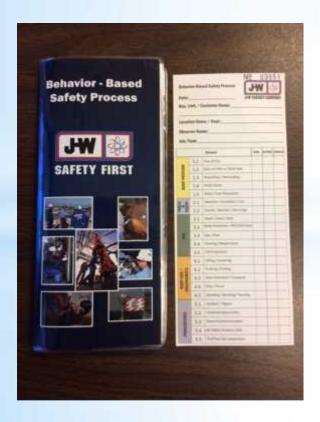
Maintain blowcases and fluid drain systems to keep oil on skid to a minimum!







Solutions – Ongoing



Job Safety Analysis

Behavior Based Safety Observations

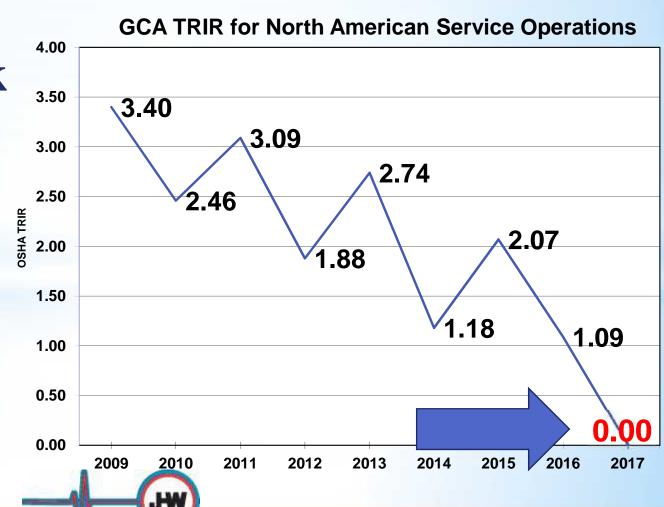
"Own" Observed Hazards! Report & Follow Up Correct On-The-Spot When Appropriate

Sales & Supervision – Establish Direct Line of Communication to Customer Representatives



What Does Success Look Like?





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Piping routed and/or covered under gravel to provide clear path of travel around the unit with minimal trip hazards. All piping painted bright, reflective color. Suction line is routed at a height of about 6 ½ feet, and painted a bright color to help keep a safe path of travel along side of unit. Light poles not visible in photos, but present.

What Does Success Look Like?

Engineered Anchorage point within armreach of cooler ladder with safety cage

Metal grating floor around entire unit





Safety Yellow railing/toeboards around all edges of barge-mounted unit



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Platforms, guardrail systems, steps and ladders





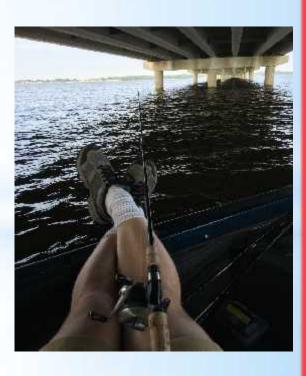


What IS Success, Really?









Summary

Slip, Trip and Fall incidents are a leading cause of workplace injury.

In Field Gas Compression, slip, trip and fall hazards can be abundant, affecting many oil & gas production workers.

Safety is a Shared Responsibility, By and For All Involved.
Oil & Gas Production Companies are the Key to Location safety.
Gas Compressor Companies are the Key to Equipment safety.

Working Together, These Hazards Can Be Controlled!



