

SAFETY ALERT

INCIDENT Safety Incident-Actual Level 2, Potential level 3

SUBJECT Operators Hi-Viz became entangled in rotating machinery

INCIDENT DATE 24th May 2019

BUSINESS UNIT

WHAT HAPPENED?

An operator was feeding décor material through the XLF 2 metering unit. The operator's hi-visibility vest came into contact with the adhesive tape on the cardboard former. The cardboard former was rotating throughout the activity, on a spindle, which the Hi-Viz vest became wrapped around. The Injured Person sustained injuries when the machinery pulled him towards the rollers. Another operator who was working with the I.P activated the emergency stop button and immobilised the machinery. The operator sustained bruising injuries to the back, arms and ribs.



This picture shows the operator feeding material through metering unit.



This picture shows the operators vest getting stuck to the adhesive tape on the cardboard former and wrapping around the spindle.

WHAT ACTION HAS TAKEN PLACE ALREADY?

- All work was immediately stopped and the machinery isolated
- No further re-reeling activities will proceed on this equipment until further controls are put into place.
- Operators working on any similar machinery have been briefed and informed to remove any loose items of clothing
- A full ICAM investigation is ongoing

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT