

**VANCOUVER TERRITORY RUNNING TRADES
WORK PLACE HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**May 27th, 2009
NEXT MEETING June 24th, 2009**

Craig Neill	604-999-5510	P	Gerry Ranson	604-552-1244	A
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Jason Hanatiuk	604-908-1558		Ken Thomas	604-626-8750	A

GUESTS: Linda Lawrence

CHAIRPERSON: Danny Letain
RECORDING SECRETARY: Craig Neill
CALL TO ORDER: 09:00

Job Briefing: Performed

Errors and Omissions: Nil

EDUCATION and AWARENESS:

**VSA-093-09 - H1N1 virus informational bulletin
BCO-099-09 - Handling of equipment and cars
BCO-097-09 - B-C yard turnout speed restriction**

Peer Observations

Number of Observations: 5 days with **40** observations; Total to date - 40
Number of At Risk: **22** at risk behaviors noted; Total to date – 22
Current high risk behaviors:
1} Use of incorrect train designation, by using symbol only.
2} Job briefings form not completed.
3} Switch handling, improper techniques

REVIEW SAFETY RULE OF THE MONTH:

**TFO rule book
T-20 On or about tracks:
Reference page 9 and page 40
Stepping on rail and safe clearance around end of equipment.**

CUSTOMER INSPECTIONS:

April 29th 2009
Pacific coast terminal
Reichhold

WORKPLACE INSPECTIONS

Coquitlam Building #9

March 25, 2008-9 SCR REPORT
OUTSTANDING SCR (S)

SCRs elevated to items:065, item 2009-12-02

SCR's Outstanding elevated to the minutes	1
SCR's Outstanding over 30 days	6
SCR's Received since last meeting	2

SCRS RECEIVED IN 2008/104 2009/18
SCRS OUTSTANDING FOR YEAR: 6

JOINT CN/CP MEETING; November 2009

REVIEW OF SAFETY PERFORMANCE REPORT:
FRA Injury Frequency Year – To – Date as of May 20th, 2009.
Frequencies gives rate of injuries per 200,000 hours worked,
FRA injuries are injuries that require medical treatment.

FRA Injury YTD Frequency %	
Vancouver Terminal	2.64
Commuter Rail	0
Cascade/Roberts Bank	0
Thompson	0

VSA Total	0.97
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Frequency Target -	1.49
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2009 COQUITLAM / ROBERTS BANK / ROAD

	PI NON FRA'S	PI FRA	NON FRA TA	FRA TAs	CRV'S
Jan	2	0	1	0	0
Feb	2	0	2	0	0

Mar	0	0	1	0	0
April	0	0	1	0	0
May	0	0	5	0	0
June					
July					
August					
September					
October					
November					
December					
YTD	4	0	10	0	0

2009 VANCOUVER TERMINAL INCLUDING COMMUTER RAIL

	PI NON FRA'S	PI FRA	NON FRA TA	FRA TAs	CRV'S
Jan	2	1	10	0	0
Feb	3	0	5	0	2
Mar	1	0	3	0	0
April	0	2	3	0	0
May	2	0	2	1	0
June					
July					
August					
September					
October					
November					
December					
YTD	8	3	23	1	2

YARD TRAIN ACCIDENTS/ INCIDENTS:

Incidents – 2

CRV - 0

SCRV - 0

05/09 Yard crew tied onto the tail end portion of an arriving train and pulled it into track CT11. The 35 car from the engine derailed at the CT-Yard divider switch in front of the Yard Office. A total of 6 cars derailed. **Cause under Investigation.**

05/10 Road switcher crew derailed light locomotives on the east end of CT-Lead at VT03 Switch account a broken rail. **ES Cause.**

YARD INJURIES:

Lost Time Injuries (LTI) - 0

Minor Injury Reports (MIR) - 2

Medical Treatment Injuries (MTI) – 0

05/04 MIR - Road switcher conductor kneeled down to line a switch on the Tilbury barge. Felt pull in right knee.

05/05 MIR – Road switcher conductor was riding the leading end of a 50 car shove movement of multi-levels. The engineer asked for further instructions and didn't receive any for a short period. The engineer began stopping the movement. As the conductor the reaching for his mic the slack ran out and the conductor fell from the car.

ROAD TRAIN ACCIDENTS / INCIDENTS:

Incidents - 5

CRV - 0

SCRV - 0

03/30 Freight crew proceeded off the east end of the shop light engine and ran through the east end shop track switch. **Field Ops Human Error.**

05/07 Freight crew yarded train in AT01. Conductor dropped off at the east end to secure the train. The engineer cut off the units and while proceeding west out of the track, ran through AT01 switch. **Field Ops Human Error.**

05/09 Road switcher proceeded north at 3 MPH with two cars in Vedder Track 7 (Terralink Horticulture) The two locomotive derailed. **3rd Party Track Cause.**

05/10 At Roberts Bank the CP 8762 was contacted by the dumper table damaging the ditch light, housing and handrails on the conductor side. **3rd Party Cause.**

05/24 Freight crew operating CN train on Yale Subdivision contacted an abandon vehicle at 56.63. No damage to locomotive and vehicle was unoccupied. **3rd Party Cause.**

ROAD INJURIES:

Lost Time Injuries (LTI) - 0

Minor Injury Reports (MIR) - 0

Medical Treatment Injuries (MTI) - 0

Injury Reviews Reports:

Nil.

INVESTIGATION OF SAFETY RELATED OCCURRENCES PROTOCOL:

May 15th 2009 RG-310 / under investigation, report to follow.

PREVIOUS BUSINESS:

2008 04 03 – Halcon N. Bend taxi; D. Letain / C. Neill

[TABLED FOR FURTHER INQUIRY/ Refer to April 2009 minutes](#)

May 2009

Escalated to SAM to be reviewed, before going to policy committee.

2008-08-05- Better advertisement of Safety Issues D. Letain / K Hamilton

Placing safety related items on DOBs and placing pre-departures checklists and job aids on the RIT. It was recently noted CN was doing this on their TGBO

November 2008

Safety related items may be incorporated in the RIT; this is being investigated by programming and may be incorporated in February 2009.

An information sheet is being developed to give employees current information about hazards in the work place and ES activities.

December 2008

Information sheet is still being developed and will become available in the New Year.

January 2009

The pre-departure checklist booklet is being received well.

February 2009

New program that is under development and was due to be released this month but has been delayed due to issues on the DM&E, it is now scheduled for Q3 2009

March 2009

The pre-departure check list booklet will be ordered and available to employees as an option.

April 2009

Books have been ordered and will await arrival.

May 2009

Waiting for computer design from Bob Schick scheduled for September 2009.

Also a daily safety sheet will be looked at for Vancouver terminal updates.

2008-11-04 Gap between the two bridges at Mile 6.7 Cas. Sub. K Hamilton / D Letain

To be investigated by ES.

December 2008

Structure supervisor has confirmed that plywood has been installed as of December 16th.

February 2009

NOT complete

The wrong bridge was worked on. The bridge is the one at mile 6.6 it is the gap between the two bridges in the devils trip where an employee slipped into that needs to be filled in.

March 2009

ES has reported that the gap at 6.6 has been repaired; this will be verified by H&S employees.

April 2009

The gap at 6.7 has been repaired but 6.6 is still outstanding. Engineering will be contacted as to what can be done at this location.

May 2009

An inspection was completed by structures, work is scheduled to be completed by June 15 2009.

Inspected by D Letain / R Kotylak

2008-12-02 Cross level variation F Herbold / P Stewart

AT02 in A yard west end excessive lateral rocking. Was supposed to be elevated to the minutes as an item. Fred Herbold at the last meeting said that ES would send a tamper thru this area to complete this item it was not done.

December 2008

Confirmation has been made by ES that work was completed December 4th.

January 2009

Tamping has not yet occurred as previously reported and needs to be re-inspected.

February 2009

No update

March 2009

Defects identified, ES repairing track March 24/25. To be inspected.

April 2009

To be confirmed by next meeting.

May 2009

Train run through A-2 and no cross level variation noted.

COMPLETE

2009-01-04 C-9 Conditions C Neill / B Thiede

Garbage over flowing on engines, and C-9 E/E, health and safety hazard. Engines not being serviced by shops.

February 2009

Area has been cleaned and safety inspection made by managers. Garbage dispensers will be looked at for the area.

March 2009

Brian Galloway is in contact with Waste Management to explore viable options. Truck access is a challenge. Update at April meeting.

April 2009

Two recycle bins have been ordered and received. Four garbage cans are ordered and should arrive the week of April 27th. All cans will be secured to the each pole. And the area will be cleaned and monitored.

May 2009

Bins have been ordered and will be installed on June 9th 2009.

2009-02-01 Vanterm procedure needs to be reviewed P Stewart / F Herbold

Since closing of this item at the end of last year, further instances have occurred.

March 2009

On March 10th a yard crew needed to stop as they were shoving into Vanterm West account truck moving over the tracks. Transport Canada and HRSDC met with Vanterm and reviewed procedures. Vanterm changed their internal procedures to ensure the foreman is controlling entry to the facility and not the security (see appendix XX). The Union also issued a notice to the membership to enforce the procedure. Also, the alarms were redirected and the volume increased.

Further incident have occurred and reported to management, responses have been received, but no resolve has taken place.

Feb 19th – Yard crew in Van west, had the buzzers on, crew had pulled #62 track and was about to grab #61 track when two buggies and a top end loader cut over all three tracks

in order to leave, RCLS Operator just missed hitting them by two or three car lengths with one of their managers watching.
Incidents were forwarded to TC and HRSDC, investigated and Assurance Voluntary Compliance was issued to TSI from HRSDC.

“The employer will ensure that safe operating procedures are followed regarding the longshore/rail interface specifically the entry, exit and use of Rail equipment on TSI property. The employer will provide a written description of how the implementation of the procedures has been monitored to ensure effectiveness, including the supervisor in charge (above foreman level), dates, times and outcomes.

Compliance Date / Date du redressement : April 03, 2009”

New operating procedures from “International Longshore & Warehouse Union “has been received and will hopefully improve their safety procedures.

To be monitored by train crews and video surveillance.

To be monitored for one month.

April 2009

No incidents in the last month.

Bulletin has been re-issued for Vanterm re: revision of spotting instruction.

Audits to be performed and reported next meeting.

May 2009

Area has reported no further incidents this will be monitored and closed.

COMPLETE

2009-02-02 Hi Vis Back packs D Letain/C Neill

Re-introduce my original idea to design a hi vis back pack for the employees.

Will check with AGO to see if anything is available.

March 2009

Information received from Kevin Sholes manager of safety programs, there is no hi-vis back packs from AGO, but, there is a distributor in London Ontario and West Van that has these certain products available and will be pursued as a product for us to use.

The question of if a back pack without hi-vis is against the hi-vis policy, it is not, even though care must be taken, they are within the parameters of the policy.

April 2009

Meeting with C Neill, D Letain and G Ranson with Claude Geldart of Sportsmark.

Communications have been made through Jennifer Hunt and through CP marketing.

D Letain has been in communication with Kevin Sholes and a demo bag will be submitted for safety and regulatory review.

May 2009

I have discussed with CP marketing, VANOC and Sportsmark, a prototype will be made and sent to CP accounts in Vancouver and made available to CP Coquitlam as well as the union. The anticipated release will be in 3 weeks.

2009-03-02 Hoodie D Letain / G Ranson

The hoodie that is available to employees through ARGO.
Does it pose a safety hazard?

April 2009

Matter has been forwarded to K Sholes for report.

May 2009

**CP does not prohibit the use of hooded garments, however the employee is responsible that clothing of any sort does not effect ones peripheral vision or deter from ones performing duties in a safe manner. This item will be discussed at the next safety blitz.
COMPLETE**

2009-03-03

Asbestos in the workplace B Thiede / C Neill

Engine 1620 has been identified to have asbestos in the heating vents when all other units have had the fatal product removed, why?

It is also requested which other engines in use still have asbestos present?

April 2009

Have received a report that Golder assoc.

SW 1200 Electrical Cabinet (Rear) - Component Mounting Board
GP 7/9 Short Hood (Access Door) - Pipe Putty
GP 7/9 Cab (Step Heater Duct) - Insulation
GP 7/9 Electrical Panel Resistor (Rear Electrical Cabinet) - Transite Board
GP 38-2 Short Hood (Hood) - Fireproof Paint

Would like more detail on the information received on "LOW FRIABILITY".
When was inventory taken and is the report available to us?

May 2009

Arrange a conference call with the Industrial hygienist Brian MacQuarrie to discuss the term "low friability" and its long term affect on the employees using the equipment and if a hazard is present.

To be forwarded to the SAM for his review.

2009-03-04

Safety Supplies machine Action F Herbold / C Neill

The supply vending machine on the first floor is giving out gloves that are often defective and questionable of quality and cleanliness. It will be questioned to the supplier as to these defects.

April 2009

Supplier was contacted by CP and notified of the problem with the product. Will continue to monitor.

Notice will be placed on vending machine turn any defective gloves found into supervisor.

May 2009

Defective gloves have been submitted and will be monitored.

COMPLETE

2009-03-05 AEI placement in A-yard X-yard Action: M Rokosh / B Thiede

Due to there close proximity to the rail and working area, how will they be protected? These are mid-yard track readers for checking purposes. Once complete hi-vis markings should be used to identify.

April 2009

A white strobe light has been installed on these units and poses a blinding issue.

Hi-vis marking has been installed on some of the units.

May 2009

These units are not yet in service and a light diffuser will be looked into to reduce the intensity of the flashing strobe, as of now it serves no purpose and is considered a hazard to switching operations.

2009-03-06

Parking of trucks and debris foul of Tilbury tracks {SCR 006-09}

Action: F Herbold / K Thomas

April 2009

The Company that uses the land was notified and advised to clean the area. They were told to park the trucks further from the tracks and install concrete curbs. Cleaning is complete and truck parking will be monitored for another month.

May 2009

Inspection confirms compliance, to be monitored for 1 more month

2009-04-01 P Stewart / F Herbold

Install spring on door of shack holding bottled drinking.

May 2009

Not yet installed, to be complete by next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

2009-05-01 radio coms C Neill / B Thiede

There is a crossover of radio communications from the Vancouver terminal RTC on all yard frequencies.

2009-05-02 ES work M Rokosh / B Thiede

What is next on the agenda for the ES to work on in the Vancouver terminal re: site lines, yard conditions etc.

2009-05-03 ES debris J Hnatiuk / D Letain

Debris left over from ES at W/E approach signal to Spuzzum, tracks 1 and 2 tracks at Old Ruby Cascade Sub.

2009-05-04 Uneven footing J Hnatiuk / D Letain

Dips and Valleys causing a tripping hazard between tracks A and B at Old Ruby Cascade Sub.

RISK ASSESSMENT: NIL

SAFETY FRAMEWORK ACTIVITY UPDATES

Updated

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Danny Letain – Recent incident with RG-310 in reference to rule 577 and rule 567.2
Information of tips for sleep deprivation.

Kim Hamilton- A video presentation by Dave Coates will be developed locally to demonstrate the proper use of handbrakes etc.

Terra link is in the process of installing a new alarm system to make employees aware of rail movement.

Craig Neill –Welcome to the new members for standing up to work on the H&S committee. Also is there any Part 2 training in the works?

Fred Herbold – Low pilots on certain rd swt units are causing damage to crossings and equipment.

Linda Lawrence- Level 1 and 2 health and safety training will take place this summer.

Revised evacuation plan will be in place after June 09.

Summarize the restrictions on the use of electronic devices.

Restrictions to be in effect June 1st.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FATIGUE COUNTER MEASURES SUB COMMITTEE: J Hnatuk/D Letain

Fatigue Management Programs

Scope

This document applies to all CP Managers/Supervisors within Operations.

Resources

- [Fatigue Management Implementation Project Plan.xls](#)
- [CP Fatigue Management Program - Fargo.ppt](#)

Looking for further information from corporate office.

WESTCOAST EXPRESS SUB COMMITTEE C Neill/Mel Schille

No report / No update

VIF SUB COMMITTEE: C Neill

Attended May 5th meeting

There will be a safety blitz for employees working at VIF on June 2nd regarding the updated evacuation policy.

Reports of cars going around the gates at Kennedy rd. Pitt Meadows.

Coast Meridian Overpass Safety Sub Committee: K Hamilton /B Zeglinski

Coast Meridian Overpass April Update:

Safety: There were no personal injuries or accidents for the month of April.

First Launch took place Saturday April 25th the launching started at 07:00 the tracks were all cut and locked out from A15 to A9 and TOP's were taken on the South and North tracks. The first movement of the bridge was at 09:15 and touchdown on Pier #1 was 20:30 when the tracks were turned over to the operation. The final 50 feet of pushing up the launching nose and anchoring everything down was completed at 02:00. This last part did not affect or endanger any employees or operation.

General:

The next launch is scheduled for May 23rd. Three more sections of bridge girders with membranes and another tower will be installed for this launch as well. Time lines from Pier #1 to Pier #2 is 11 hours. The same procedure of cutting of tracks along the launch route, and locking out of tracks in the affected areas.

There will be an area just east of the turn table set up to store some of the bridge panels as they come in from the fabricator fences will be set up for delineation as well. SNC and KWH are finishing the required work at the last three piers for plinth work and cement work for the Hillman Rollers to be installed for the launches. The shoring tower structure and all the components with it will be dismantled the first week of May and taken to the east end of the yard by the duck pond for storage and be in position if required during the second launch on My 23rd. We met with Transport Canada on April 16th for an update and tour of the bridge works this included Engineering and Transportation people from the regulator. The same binder that was handed out to you folks was also given to them for their Perusal and any further questions they may have. Once we get into the last couple of launches we plan to have another meeting about the above ground bridge works and construction methods, along with updates on fail safe systems being put in place.

Thanks
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Office number 604-944-5709, cell 778-228;5197.

YARD MAINTENANCE SUB-COMMITTEE: P Stewart/F Herbold/
No report

PRE-DEPARTURE CHECKLIST SUB-COMMITTEE M Rokosh / B Thiede
.Update yard pre-departure checklist.

YARD ENGINE SUB-COMMITTEE C Neill-F Herbold

Engines have been found to be defective in mechanical or pneumatic, a proper air brake test and the mandatory testing of the RSC device is required prior to commencement of using the power.

The process is continuing of the exchange to a more ergonomic yard engine seat.

The installation of wing mirrors has not yet been implemented.

Either submit a Loco defects form or call 604-944-5772 to report defect to shops, or use SCR process if necessary, or required.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES WP&CS FOR JUNE 2009

Safety Blitz June 15th week

Customer inspections:

Roberts Bank

Viterra

Alliance Grain

Work place inspections:

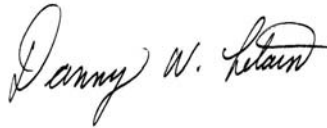
Coquitlam yard
Cascade Sub.

Health and safety Schedule 10 tracking document
See Framework

To be updated before next meeting

ADJOURNED: 13:45

RUNNING TRADES WORKPLACE HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE



Danny Letain
Co-chair



Kim Hamilton
Co-chair

Next regular meeting for the H&S Committee will be held Wednesday June 24th at 0900 on the 2nd floor, boardroom of the Coquitlam Yard Office.