



CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY INCIDENT ALERT

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DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

Near Miss - Dropped Object

An unplanned activity, that included lowering a 1250lb agitator, resulted in the equipment dropping 15 feet into a garbage bin when the lifting point broke.

Due to the fact that the job was not part of the original work plan, a hazard assessment had not been conducted.

**Ask yourself
“Could this happen here?”**



SUGGESTED ACTIONS

- Review the Hazard Assessment Procedure, specifically addressing changes in scope of work.
- Ensure all workers are aware of the requirement to revise or redo the hazard assessment when the job changes.
- Ensure proper rigging and lifting technique is used. Ensure that any critical information from the manufacturer is obtained and reviewed with workers.
- Inspect rigging and lifting equipment to ensure that it will be able to withstand the forces that are applied to it.

Key Take Away

Ensure all materials and equipment is inspected prior to use and when the scope of work changes, hazards are reassessed.

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