



RED ALERT!

Lost Time Accident

Date: September 2007
Re: Lost Time Accident Report

The following DOSH/OSHA Lost Time Accident has occurred. In an effort to prevent similar injuries from occurring at your location, please review the injury summary shown below. Remember that a Supervisor's Incident Report is to be completed and faxed to ERNWest, within 24 hours of notification of the incident. Every accident/incident will be investigated regardless of the extent of injuries. Even a near miss or minor injury can give you causes that may stop a more serious accident from occurring in the future. Your experienced based recommendations and ideas for prevention of such an accident are welcomed and **needed**.

Please provide any such recommendations.

Injury Summary:

Date of Hire:	N/A
Date Of Injury:	8-23-07 9:30am
Date Reported:	8-23-07 9:30am
Injury Type:	Left Shoulder Sprain, Lower Back Strain

Injury Cause:	Employee was installing HVAC system in rafter of 2 story building. The employee was carrying an HVAC pipe over beams and maneuvering through an unauthorized area. Employee tripped on a wooden beam causing him to throw out the HVAC pipe and fall through the ceiling. The employee used both hands to catch his fall causing a sharp pain to radiate throughout his shoulder and lower back. Employee told his supervisor and was immediately transported to a nearby occupational health clinic.
Action Taken to Prevent Reoccurrence:	Upon further investigation witnesses said, employee took down red danger barricade tape and crossed into unauthorized area while transporting HVAC material. Employees were told a day before not to carry items over beam because of the potential fall hazard. Witnesses also said, employee was not following company rules and went around authorized area; and tripped while crossing beam. Employee threw HVAC piping out and caught his fall using both hands on 2X4 beam. Crew saw incident and rushed over to pull him up. Since the incident, red barricade tape has been placed in areas that are not authorized for employees. Foremen are now held accountable for ensuring employees stay out of those areas. Toolbox talk will be held to remind employees of the importance of barricade tape and not removing tape.