

# MANUFACTURING SAFETY ALERT

ASK YOURSELF  
*"Could it happen here?"*

## DESCRIPTION OF EVENT:

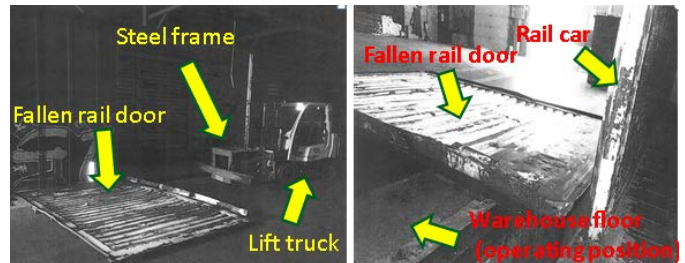
### Serious Near Miss - Rail Car Door Fell Off

A rail car door was opened by the warehouse operator who was following the safe work procedure and using the lift truck attachment (steel frame). The operator fully opened the rail car door, backed the lift truck away and disconnect the steel frame attachment from the lift truck. The rail car door then fell onto the warehouse floor.

The procedure includes the lift truck always being positioned between operator and rail car door during rail car door moves to ensure if the door falls it will be supported by the lift truck and is not able to fall onto the operator. The warehouse operator is typically the only person in this area.

## SUGGESTED ACTIONS:

- Use this incident as a good example of how “present moment” thinking needs to be used to keep ourselves out of the line of fire
- When performing Field Level Hazard Assessments (FLHA). Consider the importance of hazard recognition (and anticipating what potentially could happen)
- Continue to emphasize and monitor that employee’s contact operators before entry to the warehouse and/or restricted areas.



## Most Important Take Away:

Situational awareness and capturing the ‘What ifs’ during FLHAs are important to protect yourself from serious incidents.

