

MANUFACTURING SAFETY ALERT

Ask Yourself
“Could it happen here?”

DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

Loader Operator Near Miss

A Merchandiser Operator was attempting to fix a cross up on the Re-Entry Step Feeder. They turned on the Blue Notification Light to notify the Loader Operator to not put logs on the deck.

The Loader Operator approached, saw the operator, and put the load down on the ground and waited. The Merchandiser Operator went out of sight of the loader operator, to complete fixing the cross-up.

The Loader Operator then put a load of logs on the Re-Entry Deck. This was a close call with the potential to cause a serious injury.



SUGGESTED ACTIONS

- Before continuing to load, visual or verbal confirmation is needed to indicate work has been complete.
- Verbal or radio confirmation is not only a courtesy but a requirement when using indicators such as blue lights where constant visual contact can't be maintained.

IMPORTANT TAKE AWAY

The rule for all mobile equipment interactions is to get visual or verbal confirmation to ensure workers are safe before you proceed.

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