

# MANUFACTURING SAFETY ALERT

Ask Yourself  
"Could it happen here?"

## DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

### Press Outfeed Fire

A fire occurred at a press outfeed. It was caused by a build-up of material located in the area behind the chain cleaning boxes, in the top heat tunnel.

The minimax activated at the press outfeed and the fire team responded. It took two hours to extinguish the fire due to it re-igniting as a result of the difficult location and the spread.

There was a delay in using the foam suppressant as fire team members were using an old fire hydrant. Approximately 15 minutes passed before the correct hydrant was identified and used.

## SUGGESTED ACTIONS

- Make the area safe and start clean up.
- Replace damaged chain and rolling rods.
- Identify and communicate fire hydrant positions.
- Reminded fire teams to conduct hydrant checks and fire box checks as part of the fire team training - add these to the monthly PM schedule.
- Minimax attending site should look to add foam/deluge suppression system at the top heat tunnel.



## IMPORTANT TAKE AWAY

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