

# MANUFACTURING SAFETY ALERT

**Ask Yourself**  
*"Could it happen here?"*

## DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

### **Near-miss at Traffic Intersection**

A loader operator was hauling a load of peeler logs. As the loader approached the intersection, a contractor-operated vehicle failed to stop at the posted stop sign. The contractor eventually noticed the oncoming loader, and both vehicles came to an abrupt stop narrowly avoiding a collision.

The near-miss incident occurred in the early morning hours in rainy weather with reduced visibility.



## SUGGESTED ACTIONS

- Evaluate traffic intersections to identify opportunities to reduce congestion and improve traffic flow.
- Focus on improving sight lines in intersections by clearing obstructions, improving lighting, etc.
- Add signage to communicate site rules for right-of-way (especially useful for contractors and site visitors) and consider illuminating existing signage.

## MOST IMPORTANT TAKE AWAY

It is integral for traffic rules and signage to be understood and followed.

Vehicles must yield to larger industrial equipment.

