

# MANUFACTURING SAFETY ALERT

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

## **DESCRIPTION OF EVENT**

### **Collision with Deer on Highway**

An employee was driving to work along the highway when a large lowbed truck passed by.

A deer suddenly jumped out of the ditch in front of the lowbed and ran across the road, directly into the path of the employee's truck.

The front corner of the truck struck the deer, damaging the headlight and surrounding panel.



## **SUGGESTED ACTIONS**

- Use extra caution in low light and/or inclement weather.
- Use high-beams if safe to do so.
- Inspect vehicle and ensure headlights are clean.
- Don't drive faster than your headlights allow you to see and stop safely. Slow down to give yourself time to see and react, especially in icy conditions.
- Actively scan for wildlife. Start at the tree line, sweep down to the ditch, across the road, then back up to the opposite tree line.
- Consider installing deer whistles.

## **MOST IMPORTANT TAKE AWAY**

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