MANUFACTURING SAFETY ALERT

Ask Yourself
"Could it happen here?"

DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

Slippery Road Conditions

Recent reports of slick roads and near misses show an increased risk of vehicle incidents.

Colder temperatures followed by warmer weather and wet snowfall create extra hazards for drivers.

SUGGESTED ACTIONS

- **Drive Defensively:** Stay alert for changing conditions and the actions of other drivers. Keep your full attention on driving.
- **Slow Down and Increase Following Distance:** Wet snow reduces traction, making it harder to stop.
- **Avoid Sudden Movements:** Maintain control and avoid sudden acceleration, braking or sharp turns.
- **Watch for Signs of Black Ice:** Thawing and refreezing can create black ice, which is nearly invisible and extremely slippery. Be especially cautious on bridges, overpasses and shaded areas where ice forms quickly.
- **Use Chains When Appropriate:** Use tire chains to improve traction in severe conditions.
- **Check Road Conditions:** Before heading out, check the latest road conditions and weather forecasts to plan your route and avoid areas with dangerous conditions.

MOST IMPORTANT TAKE AWAY

Drive defensively, stay focused and reduce your speed to stay safe on wet, snowy and slippery roads.

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