

MANUFACTURING SAFETY ALERT

Ask Yourself
“Could it happen here?”

DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

Baghouse - Falling Objects

During a routine inspection at a baghouse, a tin flange was found on the ground.

The flange had fallen about 80 ft from the mill roof and punctured the baghouse’s pneumatic piping.

A preliminary investigation suggested the flange may have been left unsecured on the roof and was blown off by high winds.



SUGGESTED ACTIONS

- When working at heights, make sure all tools and materials are secured and never place objects near edges.
- Conduct routine inspections of work areas to maintain good housekeeping.
- Clearly communicate to all workers and contractors that clean-up should occur throughout the work period, not just at the end of the day.

MOST IMPORTANT TAKE AWAY

Maintaining proper safety clearances, securing tools and materials and preventing falling objects are all critical to protecting people and infrastructure.

