MANUFACTURING SAFETY ALERT

Ask Yourself
"Could it happen here?"

DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

LIFTING AND RIGGING

After relocating a conveyor with a lift, the crew began detaching the four-part bridle chain used to secure the load.

Each crew member removed one section. One crew member had detached their hook section and then stepped in to assist a coworker who was having trouble removing theirs. As they moved to take off the final hook, the forklift operator began lifting the bridle. The worker's fingers were pinched between the lifting eye and the hook, breaking two fingers.

SUGGESTED ACTIONS

- Require a verbal "ready" check from each crew member before any movement.
- Ensure all crew members keep their hands clear until the load is confirmed to be stable.

MOST IMPORTANT TAKE AWAY

Make sure communication protocols are clear. Assign a designated signal person before any lift.

Operators must only respond to the assigned signal person and wait for a confirmed "all clear" before moving the load.

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