



SAFETY ALERT



Fugro Company:	FSCL (Onshore operations)		
Location/Site:	Site compound parking area		
Date and Time:	14/08/2014 at 08:30		
Consequences:	First aid injuries, several hours work delay and reputation damage		
Incident Potential	High <input type="checkbox"/>	Medium <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Low <input type="checkbox"/>
Incident Description	Two operatives had arrived in their respective vehicles to start work. After a brief meeting one operative got back into his vehicle and reversed out of the parking area. The other operative walked behind the reversing vehicle as it began to move. He was knocked to the ground.		
Injuries / Medical treatment required:	Bruising to the left leg, right buttock and right elbow. Minor shock. First aid was provided on site and the employee was examined at the local hospital where he was declared fit to resume work". First aid case		
Findings:	<p>The IP was not paying attention and walked behind a vehicle he knew was about to move.</p> <p>The driver did not keep checking as he began to move.</p> <p>The driver did not ask to be guided backwards. No one offered to assist either.</p> <p>There were no barriers or demarcation to separate pedestrians from traffic. Site compound set up, management and supervision was not adequate.</p>		
Lessons Learnt:	<p>Avoid wherever possible parking in a way that requires you to reverse out</p> <p>Always seek assistance from another site employee if you must reverse</p> <p>The driver should have reverse parked given the site car park layout.</p> <p>The site agent must assess the site compound layout and always introduce appropriate vehicle controls that should always include measures to separate pedestrians from vehicles</p> <p>iPower behaviour must be a constant way of working. Work safely, drive safely. Don't just work and drive.</p>		
Recommendations and corrective action:	<p>The following measures are now in place on this site.</p> <p>Reduction in vehicle movements by restricting vehicle access to the actual works area.</p> <p>Reverse parking at compound car park</p> <p>Physical barriers between welfare unit and traffic</p> <p>Marked out parking area, cones tape and signs</p> <p>More signs to direct site staff and visitors</p> <p>Daily HSEQ/Operational morning kick off talks by FSCL site agent or delegate with recorded attendance and topic of the day record required</p> <p>iPower emphasis to all site staff through morning briefings</p> <p>Site traffic at the works areas has a 5 mph speed limit. A new speed limit of 20 mph is now imposed on all FSCL and contractors travelling on any road or track past the farm access gate. (Effectively the site entrance).</p> <p>ARE SIMILAR MEASURES IN PLACE ON YOUR SITE? SHOULD THEY BE? REMEMBER iPower.</p>		
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