

# CEA INCIDENT ALERT

**INCIDENT** Limb entanglement in cement mixer

**SUBJECT** Contractor

**INCIDENT DATE** Monday 13 September 2021

**BUSINESS UNIT** Infrastructure

## 1. WHAT HAPPENED?

At approximately 1410hrs a contractors' worker put his hand in the bowl of a petrol-powered portable cement mixer to check the consistency of the mix. The mixer was still operating. His sleeve became entangled with the paddle fixed to the inside of the revolving bowl. As a result, he has a dislocation of his right wrist and fractured forearm.

## 2. WHAT DID YOU DO ABOUT IT?

- Worker taken to A&E.
- Scene attended by Superintendent, site manager, and health and safety manager.
- Scene made safe, secured, and photographed.
- Notification made to WorkSafe.
- Support and welfare of worker ensured.
- Scene remains frozen whilst awaiting further instruction from WorkSafe.
- All workers on site who operate similar plant reminded not to put hands or tools inside moving machinery.
- Investigation commenced.



## 3. WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO TO PREVENT IT NEXT TIME?

- Ensure workers are competent to operate plant.
- Ensure plant guarding is in place as the first line of defence where possible.
- Where moving parts cannot be guarded, ensure JSEA's adequately identify risks of plant with exposed moving parts that cannot be guarded and that such plant must be stopped before placing objects or body parts in the vicinity.
- Following the investigation corrective actions/learnings will be shared and implemented.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT

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