

## **PABIAC Sector Update March 2007 – Paper and Tissue Sector**

### **Injury statistics Paper and Tissue Sector**

Disappointing last quarter in 2006, but a good start in 2007 Current major injury rate now stands at 1.34 (x 1000 employees). The 5 minor injuries that were reported, while not perfect, also show an improvement on the previous month's figures and this has brought us back on target. Our current total injury rate now stands at 11.53 (x 1000 employees)

### **Dangerous Occurrences**

We are aware that during 2006 there were at least 2 Dangerous Occurrences (DO) involving overhead crane failures. The actual figure could be higher. To try and understand in more detail how these occur we have added this category to the injury report form. Members have been asked to provide a brief description of any DO's, which can then be shared across the industry

### **Sector Action Plans**

As we continue to progress through the action plan, and reach our mid-point of the PABIAC strategy, we need to gauge what companies are doing, Through the paper and tissue H&S committee we will be re-issuing the plans with an additional column for feedback rate?

### **Safety Alerts**

Continue to send out Safety Alert when appropriate. The latest alert was a fatality in a US paper mill, when an operative was crushed while reeling up, interesting to note that while MPS was enforced in the UK, paper mills across the water and in Europe still seem reluctant to follow the standards?

Also include items in CPI news – Transport Fatality in Plymouth and the DHL Fatality court case involving a plastic bale falling from a vehicle while being unloaded

### **Paper & Tissue Sector Group**

Met last week – one of the outcomes from the meeting was to initiate a felt change group, to include manufacturers. First meeting set 1<sup>st</sup> May St Regis Hollins Paper Mill. Feedback at next meeting

Kimberly Clark have agreed to do their going bananas campaign at the next Revitalising network meeting

### **CPI Events**

**CEO Forum Oct 10<sup>th</sup>** Institute of Directors, similar format to the CEO safety day, broaden the agenda beyond just H&S with relevant strategic topics. Commissioner Dr Sayeed Khan will give a presentation on provision of occupational health services.

**Biennial Conference 7<sup>th</sup> November** Coventry, one day event, theme will be Machinery and Human Intervention. Target audience will be H&S practitioners, line managers, supervisors, employees, safety reps, etc...