



TWU 555 Safety & Health Committee

To: Jesse Soto, Safety & Health Advisor
From: Daniel Hilton, Safety & Health Committee
Date: March 8, 2016
Subject: BDL Safety Visit

Jesse, this visit was made at your request to address concerns of local membership. I was accompanied by Local Rep Eric Orton.

The main issues centered on organization of monthly safety meetings. Agents stated that monthly safety meeting dates were not being posted. The safety walks are performed sometimes on the same day as the monthly meeting. The safety minutes were not being posted on the safety board. The minutes I observed for January and February did not mention any old or new business within the station. They discussed other issues throughout the system. The proper procedures and organization are discussed in **Article 17 of CBA and SAFETY COMMITTEE GOM 02.040.00**

Equipment

Potable water Cart 1: The cart was taken out of service due to fuel leaking into the compartment where the water hose is located. The standing fuel could be from overfilling or a leak. The hose also needs to be replaced. It was stated this has been a common problem.



Pushback 3- Anti skid needs to be applied.





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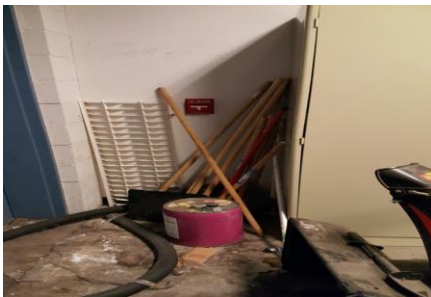
Facilities

Water Cabinet A-6: The hose is much discolored and needs to be replaced. Sanitization is a concern here. To be on the safe side, flushing the water and replacing the hose is a must. **GOM 05.170.40 and OSHA 29 CFR 1910.141**



Storage supply room: Fire extinguisher was found on the floor and not mounted. Also no signage was found to locate the fire extinguisher.

The fire pull lever was blocked by shovels and other items. They need to be removed to provide a clear path to the lever.



Ice Room: Dirt and debris found under that rubber mats. This area needs to be cleaned immediately. Agents stated that ice bags are placed here on this mat after the ice bagged; this is the ice used on the aircraft. I would recommend a cart be utilized to place the ice for ice being transferred to the Provo van.





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Station Manager Kyle Thornton took time to sit down to discuss the issues stated above. He was very willing to take care of the issues discussed in the meeting. The equipment and facilities issues he stated he would make the appropriate measures to make sure they are corrected. He stated the safety meeting problems are a work in progress. He agreed to set a monthly schedule to make sure everything is well organized. Also, he will talk with both parties to insure the meetings comply with Article 17 and Safety committee of the GOM.

In closing, I would like to thank BDL membership for their time and attention to detail when it pertains to their safety. I thank Eric Orton for his time escorting me around for the day. Also, I thank Station Manager Kyle Thornton for taking time out of his day to meet with us.

If there are any questions regarding this report please feel free to contact me at dan.hilton@twu555.org.

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