



# IUEC INCIDENT SUMMARY

CLOSE CALLS & INJURIES

INJURY

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## Description of Incident

Control Type: Electric

Machine Type: Moving Walk

Speed: Unknown

Capacity: Unknown

Rise: None

Hoistway Configuration: Single Unit

JHA/JSA Completed: Yes



- A mechanic and an apprentice prepared a moving walk for a clean-down by alternating the removal of seven pallets, leaving one in place, and removing seven additional pallets
- Prior to going to lunch, the apprentice used the key switch to run the unit to cover the hole left by the removed pallets
- The apprentice was sitting on the edge of the truss with one foot in the pit and the other foot resting on a cross brace
- The apprentice ran the unit towards himself forgetting about the pallet hidden under the combplate. The pallet came around the step turnaround where there was only 1 inch of clearance between the pallet and the cross brace. The pallet caught his left foot tearing the top of his boot off and degloving the top of his foot.

### Current Status:

The apprentice's foot is severely damaged. He is in the healing process and the extent of permanent damage is yet to be determined.





## Recommendations & Lessons Learned

- Always follow the company safety policy
- Always perform a JHA/JSA as per company policy

### Possible Root Causes:

- Lack of Standard Work Processes
- Lack of training
- Failure to address known hazards during the JHA

### Field Employees' Safety Handbook

#### Section 16 Escalators and Moving Walks

(d) NEVER start, or attempt to start, a unit while anyone is on, or in, or about to step onto the unit.

(l) When working on or around moving equipment, take precautions to avoid getting yourself, or a tool, caught or pulled into the equipment. Be aware of all pinch points. Never attempt to remove a foreign object from an escalator or moving walk with the unit in operation.

