

**VANCOUVER TERRITORY RUNNING TRADES
WORK PLACE HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE**

January 27th, 2010

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GUESTS: Troy Litowsky

CHAIRPERSON: Danny Letain

RECORDING SECRETARY: Brad Thiede

CALL TO ORDER: 09:15

Job Briefing: Performed

Errors and Omissions:

Nil

EDUCATION and AWARENESS:

- 4 Hour Safety Rollout
- Transport Canada Directive relating to entraining/detraining and crossing through equipment with less than 50 feet
- VSA 005/10 Digital JEM Radio – Using a portable if unable to switch to analog.
- BCO 005/10 Digital Radio Channel Guidelines – Coquitlam Yard.

Peer Observations

Observations for 2009 totaled 92 with 34 At-Risk Behaviors.

Number of Observations: 0

Total to date - 0

Number of At Risk: 0

Total to date - 0

REVIEW SAFETY RULE OF THE MONTH

- CROR 115 Shoving Equipment
- 50 Foot Rule when going between equipment
- Entraining/Detraining (Safety Handbook T11 (p22), and also revision in Summary Bulletin (p7)

CUSTOMER INSPECTIONS:

Nil

WORKPLACE INSPECTIONS

Nil

SAFETY CONDITION REPORTS

OUTSTANDING SCR (S)

SCRs elevated to items:

057 Anacis Island Switch

SCR's Outstanding elevated to the minutes 06
SCR's Outstanding over 30 days 01
SCR's Received since last meeting 06

SCR's RECEIVED IN 2009/083

SCR's RECEIVED IN 2010/004

SCR's OUTSTANDING FOR 2009 YEAR: 01

SCR's OUTSTANDING FOR 2010 YEAR: 01

SCR's outstanding to be confirmed by unionized H&S- 07

JOINT CN/CP MEETING;

Next meeting scheduled for April 2010.

REVIEW OF SAFETY PERFORMANCE REPORT:

FRA Injury Frequency Year – To – Date as of January 27, 2010. No statistical information available till next month.

Frequencies gives rate of injuries per 200,000 hours worked,
FRA injuries are injuries that require medical treatment.

FRA Injury YTD Frequency %	
Vancouver Terminal	1
Commuter Rail	0
Cascade/Roberts Bank	0
Thompson	0

VSA Total

Frequency Target - *1.76*

2010 COQUITLAM / ROBERTS BANK / ROAD

	PI NON FRA'S	PI FRA	NON FRA TA	FRA TAs	CRV'S
Jan	0	0	2	0	0
Feb					
Mar					
April					
May					
June					

July					
August					
September					
October					
November					
December					
YTD	0	0	2	0	0

2010 VANCOUVER TERMINAL INCLUDING COMMUTER RAIL

	PI NON FRA'S	PI FRA	NON FRA TA	FRA TAs	CRV'S
Jan	3	1	4	0	1
Feb					
Mar					
April					
May					
June					
July					
August					
September					
October					
November					
December					
YTD	3	1	4	0	1

YARD TRAIN ACCIDENTS/ INCIDENTS:

Incidents – 4
CRV - 0
SCRV - 0

- 12/24** Third party track mobile shoved on wheel into sand pile at Vanterm. **3rd Party Cause.**
- 01/05** Derailed light locomotives leaving Univar S17. **3rd Party ES Cause.**
- 01/01 Motor Vehicle Accident** - Road Switcher Conductor at RB reversed with truck and rolled into the ditch with the truck. **Fops Human Error.**
- 01/20** Extra Road Switcher working in Port Moody shoved back into G5 with an empty sulfur train and contacted 46 loaded grain cars that were left at the west end. Crew had forgotten about the cars and didn't ride the point. **CRV Fops Human Error.**

YARD INJURIES:

Lost Time Injuries (LTI) - 2
Minor Injury Reports (MIR) - 3
Medical Treatment Injuries (MTI) – 0

- 12/30 LTI** Yard Foreman lined the west end switch of track BT10 and injured left elbow.
- 01/13 LTI** Engineer broke arm after riding bike home traveling over the shop track crossing.
- 01/23 MIR** Yard Helper was stabbed by a small piece of metal while climbing up a ladder on a railcar. Metal piece pierced through his glove.
- 01/25 MIR** Yard foreman spilt hot mocha on his hand when taking cup out of machine.
- 01/26 MIR** Yard foreman injured knee from fall after tripping on a hump of ballast from a grader that was working on the roadway at the time.

ROAD TRAIN ACCIDENTS / INCIDENTS:

Incidents - 3

CRV - 0

SCRV - 0

01/15 Train 355-813 traveling west over detector at Mile 52.59 and received an alarm. Set brake and train went into emergency. Broken axle found on the CP384929 67 cars back from head end. **MS Cause.**

01/21 Westward 867-081 Coal load struck rock at Mile 5.5 Yale Subdivision damaging fuel tank.

ROAD INJURIES:

Lost Time Injuries (LTI) - 0

Minor Injury Reports (MIR) - 0

Medical Treatment Injuries (MTI) - 0

Injury Reviews Reports:

Nil.

INVESTIGATION OF SAFETY RELATED OCCURRENCES PROTOCOL: NIL

CANADA LABOR CODE PART II:

NIL

PREVIOUS BUSINESS:

2008 04 03

Halcon N. Bend taxi; D. Letain / C. Neill

Item condensed see previous minutes

November 2009

A response from the Service Area Manager was submitted and is available to view.

The unionized portion of the H&S committee will formally resubmit their concerns to the Policy committee.

December 2009

No update

January 2010

No Update

2008-08-05

Better advertisement of Safety Issues D. Letain / K Hamilton

Placing safety related items on DOBs and placing pre-departures checklists and job aids on the RIT. It was recently noted CN was doing this on their TGB

Item condensed see previous minutes

October 2009

With the implementation of AIR "automated inventory reporting" there is an opportunity to implement safety items into the tablets. To work with AIR instructor to implement.

Completion date to be at the end of November.

November 2009

The AIR instruction has begun, Mgr and union will work with Greg Pritchett to have safety message on the AIR tablet.

December 2009

Awaiting guidance from AIR team

January 2010

**We are able to put an safety update on the AIR tablets. We will be adding Middleton Maps, Summary Bulletins and foreign railway bulletins as well.
COMPLETE**

2009-02-02

Hi Vis Back packs D Letain / C Neill

Re-introduce the original idea to design a hi vis back pack for the employees.
Will check with AGO to see if anything is available.

Item condensed see previous minutes

November 2009

Back pack received, shown to RTE's and sent to Kevin Sholes for possible distribution and subsidy consideration.

December 2009

Response from Kevin Sholes, received backpack and is progressing in Calgary.

January 2010

Final approval stages are in progress. More to come.

2009-08-04

Identified track hazard conditions on C-15 to C-22 inclusive.

K Hamilton/F Herbold

Sept 2009 Update – Site inspection - Area was cleaned up by engineering, areas around switches need attention.

October 2009

The switches in the entrain and detrain areas have not been fully completed, to be re-inspected by end of month.

November 2009

Inspection made and ballast needs to be dumped around switches and working area.

December 2009

No update

January 2010

Move to the Yard Maintenance Sub-Committee section of the minutes below.

2009-10-01 C Neill / B Thiede

Yards using Rdsutr frequency 2

November 2009

No change yard crews still assigned transfer 2 channel when using rd swt engines for yard service assignments. VIF is being retrofitted to use the Digital Trunking System this should reduce the rd. swt 2 use. Any crews spotting Viterra (Cascadia) are required to use transfer 2

frequency. Yard crews in Vancouver Terminal have the use of analog radios and should be using yard frequency 4 AAR 59 59.

December 2009

Radio shop working on VIF implementation – Date to be advised

January 2010

VIF implementation on February 1st. Vancouver implementation March 1st.

2009-10-02 C Neill / F Herbold

Failure of locks on ergo switches.

November 2009

This applies to the Carmen locks and the ITC locks at VIF.

B Thiede to forward to MS

December 2009

Mechanical health and safety committee has been informed and will advise.

January 2010

Lock pins are in the process of being installed. Bulletin will be issued.

COMPLETE

2009-10-03 K Hamilton / F Herbold

Evacuation procedure on F6 (Advanced Chemicals)

November 2009

Management has spoken with the POCO fire department and are reviewing the procedures with the designated EMS, and customer. Linda Lawrence to confirm compliance at next meeting.

December 2009

Prior to January meeting will meet with Advance Chemical and provide customer handbook.

January 2010

Fred Herbold spoke with Advance Chemical and gave them a Customer Handbook. Also gave them the NMC Environmental Emergency Spill Number and the Coquitlam Tower Emergency number.

COMPLETE

2009-10-06 J Hnatiuk / D Letain

Locomotive seats refitted and marked with “red dot” reported as failing (CP 8776)

November 2009

Some seats have been missed in the recall of these seats with failures are still being found, CP9816 has been one of the most recent failures.

CP 8776 has been repaired.

December 2009

Mechanical is tracking locomotives location for immediate attention.

January 2010

The 9816 was repaired on January 3, 2010. All other seats on the CP1, 2,3 are going to be replaced with a new design.

COMPLETE

2009-11-01

Backing trains up at Martinson, Yale sub J Hnatiuk / D Letain

November 2009

Bulletin to be issued on Martinson job aid, presentation being performed at RQ.

December 2009

Job aid has been prepared and further discussion will take place.

January 2010

Trains over 7000' cannot make a reverse movement without riding the point (weather permitting) because the train will require passing the signal. If the train is less than 7000' then follow the Job Aid. Job Aid will be bulletined in the near future.

COMPLETE

2009-11-04

Crews being instructed to take a train that has an obstructed view from the operating cab at Boston Bar. J Hnatiuk / D Letain

November 2009

Investigation is occurring and a request has been made for the tapes of the conversation.

December 2009

NMC is investigating.

January 2010

The Union has educated the membership to not take a train of this nature in the future and the Company has reviewed it's procedures to ensure full inspection and authorization of such movement.

2009-12-01 P Stewart / F Herbold

N-18 / 19 Manhole cover hazard not being done in a timely manner

January 2010

COMPLETE

2009-12-02 J Hnatiuk / D Letain

Doubling over length trains out of Coquitlam blocking crossings. December 3rd 223 car grain train 13,223 feet. Blocking Pitt river bridge and Kennedy rd Pitt Meadows for 60 minutes.

January 2010

After full investigation and employees involved were educated.

COMPLETE

2009-12-03 J Hnatiuk / D Letain

The instruction of changing off at the station. Looking for clarity on CN trains. RE: BCO-294/09

January 2010

Bulletin will be revised and re-issued.

COMPLETE

2009-12-04 P Stewart / F Herbold

N-18 w/e switch removed, red flag in track with no mention of these restrictions in the DOB.

January 2010

Information has been added to the DOB.

COMPLETE

2009-12-05 P Stewart / F Herbold

The confiscation of Port Passes by security guards at the Renfrew entrance.

January 2010

Port passes are being confiscated account security renewal. Report any issues to the Yard Manager.

COMPLETE

2009-12-06 C Neill / B Thiede

Why was the purchase of the JEM radios made prior to an effective safety analysis.

January 2010

Current issues with the JEM radios did not surface during initial testing. More rigorous testing is being performed while searching for the replacement radios. Ritron radios are the expected replacement. Once these radios are Digital equipped they will be tested.

COMPLETE

NEW BUSINESS

2010- 01-27 Craig Neill/Brad Thiede

CP1441 is not equipped with window defoggers.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Danny Letain – NTSB press release on Chatsworth incident. Cause of incident was the Locomotive Engineers unauthorized use of a handheld device. NTSB has recommended that Federal Government require audio and image recorders in the cab of all locomotives. (USA)

BNSF fatality to RTE while servicing a customer. (Bulletin was issued with details)

CN fatality to RTE crushed between two boxcars. (Bulletin was issued with details)

CP Contractor fatality in Northern Ontario. (Bulletin was issued with the details)

Business is up and Olympics are approaching.

Kim Hamilton – Nil

Craig Neill - Some locomotives have no brake cylinder pressure even after locomotive has been charging for 10 minutes. Please ensure this is taken into consideration when performing your locomotive brake test to prevent unintended movement.

Fuel and sludge spills from engines have been noticed in the yard. Please notify the shops to remove excess water and oil/fuel mixture from sludge tank.

Please refer to H&S environmental plan from Railcity Website for policy on disposal of batteries and fuel spills.

Pat Stewart - Nil

Jason Hnatiuk – Nil

Brad Thiede – Nil

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RADIO COMMUNICATIONS C Neill, Pat Stewart/ B Thiede, B Galloway

Otto Military mic was tested and under good weather conditions the performance was good. Further testing will be done in the rain. (Full report will be attached to the minutes). Motorola base unit tested without the JEM Housing. Results were better than with the JEM housing. (Full report will be attached to the minutes).

FATIGUE COUNTER MEASURES SUB COMMITTEE: J Hnatiuk / D Letain

Transport Canada response has been delivered and will be reviewed with the Local Chairmen along with one additional crew over hours violation.

WESTCOAST EXPRESS SUB COMMITTEE C Neill / Mel Schille

WCE crews have been trained on the Olympic Security Measures and are expected to high profile during the Olympic Period. Mr. Hamilton has confirmed with Mel Schille that Translink Security, RCMP and CP Police will be involve and monitoring all activities on the commuter trains.

Coast Meridian Overpass Safety Sub Committee: C Neill /B Zeglinski

Coast Meridian Overpass December Update:

Safety there were no accidents or incidents for December and SNC Lavalin relayed they went the entire year without a lost time injury which for them was a great accomplishment.

General:

All the deck pavement is completed, the only remaining concrete work left to do is the parapets which are on the bridge deck and pose no safety or operational issues to the railway.

The drainage for the bridge is complete and is all hooked up and working , the lighting is installed and is being checked for proper alignment as to the drawings given to CPR. In February the lighting will be turned on and a bulletin will go out for a two week period to give feed back on any of the lights that may need adjustment.

The fencing has begun and the contractor will work at installing the fencing up during January , if you would like to go and have a look at the fencing just let me know , the fail safe system for installation is working well , the fence is tied off in two locations prior to installation from the bridge deck and then attached.

The last of activity on the property is the polishing of the piers this month and then a final survey of the bridge from the ground and the bridge this should all be done and completed by the end of January.

The lay down area on the east end of the diesel shop has been cleaned up and graded and the X42 roadway entrance has been removed.

The planned completion date for the bridge is February 24th.

Thanks
Zig

YARD MAINTENANCE SUB-COMMITTEE: P Stewart / F Herbold

No report

Ballast and Footing in Yard

C15-C22 Ballast around switches and working area.

A1-A8 Lead Ballast around switches

L-Yard from L26 to Vanterm Track 1

SPILLS IN Coquitlam YARD

B-15 , 8 cars from e/e

B-11, 15cars from e/e

B-12 e/e

B-13

B-15 e/e

B-16 e/e

X-24

X-28

X-29

X-34 8 cars from w/e

B -18

B-19

X-23

SPILLS in Williston Yard

K9/K10 on both the E.E. and W.E.

L29 along the entire length of the track.

PRE-DEPARTURE CHECKLIST SUB-COMMITTEE – J Duggan / B Thiede

No report

YARD ENGINE SUB-COMMITTEE C Neill / F Herbold

Craig Neill spoke with Tony McLean about ensuring the locomotives are cleaned off the shop track and pursuing the installation of the engineer's side mirror.

SAFETY FRAMEWORK ACTIVITY UPDATES

Updated

Health and safety Schedule 10 tracking document

To be completed by the Co-Chairs and submitted to Labour Canada.

Planned Activities WP&CS for February 2010

Continuing 4 hour Safety Rollouts.

Perform Peer Observations.

Work place inspections:

NIL

ADJOURNED: 12:30

RUNNING TRADES WORKPLACE HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

**Danny Letain
Co-Chair**

**Kim Hamilton
Co-Chair**

Next regular meeting for the H&S Committee will be held Wednesday **March 24th 2010** at 0900 on the 2nd floor, boardroom of the Coquitlam Yard Office.