

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

**August 26th, 2009
NEXT MEETING September 23rd, 2009**

Craig Neill	604-999-5510	P	Gerry Ranson	604-552-1244	A
Brad Thiede	604-944-5702	P	Brian Galloway	604-944-5730	A
James Duggan	604 464-8946	P	Mike Rokosh	604-202-2214	A
Dan Letain	604-944-5707	P	Gary Shannon	604-944-5850	A
Fred Herbold	604-944-5701	P	Keith Nordin	604-944-5730	A
Pat Stewart	604-341-5605	P	Craig Brown	604-781-7347	A
Kim Hamilton	604-970-2203	P	Gerry Ranson	604-552-1244	A
Jason Hnatiuk	604-908-1558	P	Mike Rokosh	604-202-2214	A

GUESTS:Nil

CHAIRPERSON: Kim Hamilton
RECORDING SECRETARY: Craig Neill
CALL TO ORDER: 10:00

Job Briefing: Performed

Errors and Omissions: 2009-04-01

EDUCATION and AWARENESS:

VSA-142-09 Recycling
VSA-153-09 Roberts Bank guidelines
VSA-154-09 Coast Meridian update.

Peer Observations

Number of Observations: 5 days with 30 observations; Total to date - 80
Number of At Risk: 3 at risk behaviors noted; Total to date – 30
Separation of equipment.

REVIEW SAFETY RULE OF THE MONTH

T-20-On or about tracks item 4

CUSTOMER INSPECTIONS:

Roberts Bank / Westshore Terminal

WORKPLACE INSPECTIONS

VIF

June 2008-9 SCR REPORT OUTSTANDING SCR (S)

SCRs elevated to items: 006, item 2009-03-06

SCR's Outstanding elevated to the minutes 01 / 038 6-Jul-09 Grain spilled & dead
grass – a fire hazard
SCR's Outstanding over 30 days 03
SCR's Received since last meeting 13

SCRS RECEIVED IN 2008/104 2009/54
SCRS OUTSTANDING FOR YEAR: 10

{SCR's outstanding to be confirmed by unionized H&S.}

JOINT CN/CP MEETING: November 2009

REVIEW OF SAFETY PERFORMANCE REPORT:
FRA Injury Frequency Year – To – Date as of August 19th, 2009.
Frequencies gives rate of injuries per 200,000 hours worked,
FRA injuries are injuries that require medical treatment.

FRA Injury YTD Frequency %	
Vancouver Terminal	4.26
Commuter Rail	0
Cascade/Roberts Bank	0
Thompson	0

VSA Total **1.56**

Frequency Target - 1.49

2009 COQUITLAM / ROBERTS BANK / ROAD

	PI NON FRA'S	PI FRA	NON FRA TA	FRA TAs	CRV'S
Jan	2	0	1	0	0
Feb	2	0	2	0	0
Mar	0	0	1	0	0
April	0	0	1	0	0
May	0	0	5	0	0
June	1	0	5	0	0
July	1	1	1	1	0

August	0	0	1	0	0
September					
October					
November					
December					
YTD	6	1	17	1	0

2009 VANCOUVER TERMINAL INCLUDING COMMUTER RAIL

	PI NON FRA'S	PI FRA	NON FRA TA	FRA TAs	CRV'S
Jan	2	1	10	0	0
Feb	3	0	5	0	2
Mar	1	0	3	0	0
April	0	2	3	0	0
May	2	0	2	1	0
June	1	2	5	0	0
July	0	1	3	1	0
August	4	0	6	0	0
September					
October					
November					
December					
YTD	13	6	37	2	2

YARD TRAIN ACCIDENTS/ INCIDENTS:

Incidents – 6

CRV - 0

SCRV - 0

07/22 Road Switcher conductor applied a SBU to the tail end of his transfer and noticed tallow leaking from the top hatch when the car was moved. Top hatch bolts were loose. Car was setoff and repaired. **Third Party Cause.**

07/22 Shifted container found in AT02 by ES employee. **Cause under investigation.**

07/26 Road Switcher proceeding into Alliance Grain derailed on the curve north of Commissioner Street. Evidence of previous derailment damage. Investigation showed a previous movement leaving Alliance derailed one axle on the unit and rerailed at the switch. **Third Party ES Cause.**

07/28 Road Switcher crew derailed a unit they lifted out of Track 2 at Alliance Grain. Switch out of adjustment. **Third Party ES Cause.**

08/01 Road Switcher crew servicing Alliance Grain opened the wrong gate and when they shoved into the customer damaged the unopened gate. **Field Ops Human Error.**

08/17 While proceeding east from Reichold at approximately 5 MPH the unit derailed one wheel. **Third Party ES Cause.**

YARD INJURIES:

Lost Time Injuries (LTI) - 0

Minor Injury Reports (MIR) - 4

Medical Treatment Injuries (MTI) – 0

07/23 **MIR** – Locomotive engineer had pain in neck due to the numerous hard couplings made during his shift.

07/30 MIR – Yard Foreman detrained from an intermodal flat car after applying the hand brake. There was a bolt missing on the stirrup and when the employee put his weight on the stirrup it gave out and the employee fell to the ground injury his right elbow and one finger.

08/21 MIR – Yard Foreman detrained from stationary tank car his hand and foot slipped causing him to scrape his left side while descending. It was raining.

08/24 MIR – Locomotive engineer injured left wrist when he attempted to move the automatic brake valve and it was stiff.

ROAD TRAIN ACCIDENTS / INCIDENTS:

Incidents - 1

CRV - 0

SCRV - 0

07/23 Burst fuel line on CP8618 at North Bend. Unit was shut down immediately. **MS Cause.**

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

May 2009

Escalated to SAM to be reviewed, before going to policy committee.

June 2009

Sent to policy committee.

July 2009

No report

August 2009

Waiting committee report.

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](#)

May 2009

Waiting for computer design from Bob Schick scheduled for September 2009.
Also a daily safety sheet will be looked at for Vancouver terminal updates.

June 2009 - As above.

July 2009

No report

August 2009

Awaiting until September end for update.

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](#)

June 2009

Awaiting delivery of 1st run backpack to give to committee for approval and distribution.

July 2009

1st run back pack has been delivered by Sportsmark and presented to the H&S, will be sent to CP marketing and may be available to all CP employees for purchase with a subsidy.

August 2009

1st prototype shown around to r/t employees with good response and suggestions for a few alterations to design. Changes will be made and a 2nd prototype will be developed. 1st proto to be sent to Kevin Sholes mgr Safety Program for inspection and to be seen if this can be available for employee purchase with a subsidy.

2009-03-03

Asbestos in the workplace B Thiede / C Neill

Engine 1620 has been identified to have asbestos in the heating vents when all other units have had the fatal product removed, why?

It is also requested which other engines in use still have asbestos present?

April 2009

Have received a report that Golder assoc.

SW 1200 Electrical Cabinet (Rear) - Component Mounting Board
GP 7/9 Short Hood (Access Door) - Pipe Putty
GP 7/9 Cab (Step Heater Duct) - Insulation
GP 7/9 Electrical Panel Resistor (Rear Electrical Cabinet) - Transite Board
GP 38-2 Short Hood (Hood) - Fireproof Paint

Would like more detail on the information received on "LOW FRIABILITY".
When was inventory taken and is the report available to us?

[Item condensed, see previous minutes.](#)

August 2009

August 05/09 Conference Call
Gerry Ranson, Brad Thiede, Linda Lawrence, Kevin Bishop
Bob Tulley, Dave Myler

Information request:

Q- How was the inspection performed?

2006 inspection by Golder, emanating from MS Policy Committee issue. Main goal was to do get a bulk inventory of all pre 1985 locomotives and then determine if the asbestos was at risk of becoming friable. All asbestos was in good condition. Standardized testing was done by visual inspecting and/or performing "Hand Test" (see if the asbestos crumbles to touch).

Q- What were the inspector's qualifications?

Golder acquired a safety company EHP who have the certified personal for inspecting and removing asbestos. Although Golder is known worldwide for geotech they are highly regarded in the Industrial Hygiene area as well.

Q- Where is the inspection report and can it be provided to Committee?

No detailed report as the inspection was to take and record a bulk inventory of locomotives with asbestos. That detailed list is provided to the Committee.

Q- How is this equipment continually inspected to ensure asbestos is still sealed and no fibers are being release?

The details of the inventory indicated all asbestos was located in stable solid components such electrical boards and paint. Since most of the equipment was 40 or more years old and the asbestos was not at risk, there should no risk of fibers being released.

MS Policy Committee now has revised overhaul procedures to require the removal of asbestos on locomotives at overhaul.

Q-Do the testers and everyone realize these locomotives get banged around on daily basis, what is the worker protection if the asbestos comes loose without anyone's knowledge?

As stated above very low risk of fibers coming loose from locomotive being banged around. The labels are provided to warn mechanical staff to prevent drilling into equipment thus releasing fibers. The labels may indicate there is asbestos present but some locomotive got out of the shop without removing the labels after the asbestos was removed, MS is trying to track these locomotives to have the label removed.

In addition - Gerry Ranson has spoken with Transport Canada, they have the CP Asbestos inventory and plan for handling, they state this meets the requirement for dealing asbestos, similar to provincial WCB requirement the asbestos does not have to be removed unless it is at risk of releasing fibers.

Shop staff will inspect the current state of the condition of the asbestos and if it appears disturbed or breaking down work will be performed on it.

Reports of findings can be made available on request.

2009-03-05 AEI placement in A-yard X-yard Action: M Rokosh / B Thiede

Due to there close proximity to the rail and working area, how will they be protected? These are mid-yard track readers for checking purposes. Once complete hi-vis markings should be used to identify.

[Item condensed see previous minutes](#)

July 2009

Risk assessment performed on June 30 by Kim Hamilton and Keith Nordin.

Report to follow.

August 2009

Report submitted,

- **Correction to Presence loop installs. The presence loop needs to be repositioned and secured, buried along the tie butts to prevent tripping hazards. Once completed RTE Health & Safety Representative and Keith Nordin will ok the sight. - Wally McCready**
- **S&C need to apply Hi-Vis tape to the antennas of the readers for better visual. - Wally McCready**
- **S&C will add flexible Hi-Vis markers on either side for snow or ES equipment to prevent damage. – Wally McCready.**
- **Weed that prevent Hi-Vis tape from being seen need to be removed – Keith Nordin**
- **activate the strobe light so the crews understand that the AEI is functional - Wally McCready**
- **Bulletin to be issued to identify locations of BQR and operation instructions – Keith Nordin**
- **COQBQR01 requires protection & visual on the sides of the reader identical to the other two readers. Like the other readers, would like Concrete Cinder End Blocks painted and Hi-Vis tape applied to identify the reader track side. – Keith Nordin**
- **Training in TYES to start once the lights have been activated. – YOP Trainers**

2009-03-06

Parking of trucks and debris foul of Tilbury tracks {SCR 006-09}

Action: F Herbold / K Hamilton

April 2009

The Company that uses the land was notified and advised to clean the area. They were told to park the trucks further from the tracks and install concrete curbs. Cleaning is complete and truck parking will be monitored for another month.

May 2009

Inspection confirms compliance, to be monitored for 1 more month

June 2009

No concrete curbs have been installed and lack of cleaning is still occurring.

July 2009

Debris still occurring, regular inspections are required, to be monitored.

August 2009

The installation of concrete curbs will not be done. To be monitored and inspected by a mgr and unionized H&S member.

2009-05-01 Radio Communication - C Neill / B Thiede

There is a crossover of radio communications from the Vancouver Terminal RTC on all yard frequencies.

June 2009

Channel 5 authorities appear to be the main concern, Radio shops to be contacted.

July 2009

Implementation of digital radios.

August 2009

As the implementation of the digital frequency this cross over of communications is no longer an issue.

COMPLETE

2009-06-01- Storage of Material in Yard Office. Fred Herbold/Kim Hamilton

Inappropriate storage of office supplies on yard office floor creating tripping hazards.

July 2009

Suppliers have been told to dispose of debris, to be monitored.

August 2009

COMPLETE

2009-06-02 – Crew Truck Dry Box – Fred Herbold/K. Hamilton

The box supplied to keep grips dry, this is causing hazard in itself. We have suggested a tarp be used.

July 2009

Box to be removed, F Herbold to install a tarp system by month end.

August 2009

COMPLETE

2009-06-03 – C3 Bridge Walkway Brush Obstruction – B. Thiede/K. Hamilton

Coquitlam River bridge walkway for C3 extension is obstructed by overgrown trees

July 2009

No update

August 2009

COMPLETE

2009-07-01

Dust suppression measures in Coquitlam C Neill / F Herbold

Calcium spreading was performed on June 26 on certain roadways, the conditions are to be monitored and submitted if found to be a health or safety hazard.

August 2009

To be monitored.

COMPLETE

2009-07-02

The numbered identification of recoil {racor} switches J Duggan / F Herbold

August 2009

No update

NEW BUSINESS

2009-08-01

Sight line for C-3 Westwood signal, signal obscured F Herbold/ C Neill

2009-08-02

Grain spill on x-lead and yard. F Herbold/J Duggan

2009-08-03

Speed yard on dirt roadways B Thiede/C Neill

2009-08-04 K Hamilton/F Herbold

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

2009-08-05 B Thiede/K Hamilton

Review emergency protocol following chemical spill incident on the BN Westminster sub.

SAFETY FRAMEWORK ACTIVITY UPDATES

Updated

OPEN DISCUSSION:

Craig Neill

Awaiting CLC training course.

Danny Letain

Job briefing booklets have been issued and will be distributed.

Review recent safety bulletins.

Safety expectations from SAM.

Middleton Maps draft of all Vancouver territory has been submitted and will be reviewed.
General cleanup of outer office area has been done.
H1N1 epidemic is anticipated in BC and updates will be provided

Kim Hamilton

A sub-committee has been formed for radio concerns.
How long will the 5mph restriction be in effect?
Vitterra {Cascadia} customer demonstration not involving H&S.

Jason Hnatiuk

Halcon drivers are on occasion driving crews back to Coquitlam, because they are GPS equipped they have been docked time for taking bathroom breaks and allowing crews to use facilities also.
Sight lines Ruby Creek, Katz and River rd have been noted to be obstructed by growth.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

FATIGUE COUNTER MEASURES SUB COMMITTEE: J Hnatiuk/D Letain

Service area checks with NMC daily to see if unnecessary delays are occurring.
Acquiring information from time pools in Calgary and making comparison.

WESTCOAST EXPRESS SUB COMMITTEE C Neill/Mel Schille
No report

VIF SUB COMMITTEE: C Neill
Attended August 4th meeting. 190 day's injury free. Next meeting September 1st

Coast Meridian Overpass Safety Sub Committee: K Hamilton /B Zeglinski
Coast Meridian Overpass July Update:
Safety: There were no personal injuries or accidents for the month of July.

The third launch was started on Friday July 3rd and completed on Saturday July 4th.

The fourth launch was to be completed

July 30th but due to problems with Hillman rollers it will not be completed until the first week of August. The fifth and final launch is scheduled for August 14th right now.

As a note the steel contractor KWH relayed they are going through the Hillman rollers and requiring to replace on a regular basis due to the continuing pressures placed on them by the 2% cantor in the bridge and the additional weight from each one of the pylons which are the towers as they go past each pier. They simply push until they can not go any further then change out the roller set and make arrangements with the CPR to continue and finish each launch.

The deck panel delivery is done they are located at piers #3 and #4. The cart to take the panels from these locations on the bridge deck is here and SNC are qualifying people right now on it. More to come on this at the next general session we have soon.

The Mechanical dept brought to our attention some traffic light irregularities at Coast Meridian this has gone over to the City and we are waiting for a response from the City. We have had a sight meeting and explained how the cars traveling east do not necessarily look at the right light signal and when people use the turn lane heading west into the CPR Rail Yard have had instances where the traffic goes right through the first red light. We have asked the possibility of aligning the two lights to be red and green at the same time.

The July update is the Lougheed Hwy and Coast Meridian intersection will be upgraded around August 6th the old signal controller will be changed out for a new controller will be put into its ultimate operating configuration and thus operating an advanced warning signs for the intersection on Lougheed Hwy. We are also looking at a new intersection sign to bring attention to the two set of lights in short duration. Please also note we are dealing with the province on some of this since the Lougheed is a provincial responsibility under the traffic act. Hope this changes and brings enough attention to the intersection. Other than these upgrades not a lot we can do.

I am looking at the week of August 17th or 24th to have our meeting now with SNC to go over the bridge deck work, fencing and other key topics along with the fail safe procedures to see us through to the completion of the project. Will let you know within a week of the meeting date and time.

Thanks

Zig

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YARD MAINTENANCE SUB-COMMITTEE: P Stewart/F Herbold/

No report

TBD August

To look into E/S clean up of tie plates and rail.
Oiling of switches in yard.

PRE-DEPARTURE CHECKLIST SUB-COMMITTEE – J Duggan / B Thiede
A draft has been made and will be modified and circulated at the next meeting.

YARD ENGINE SUB-COMMITTEE C Neill-F Herbold

To date 1 wing mirror has been installed.
Seats are replaced as they are booked B/O.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES WP&CS FOR September 2009

Bulletin has been sent out that the operating guide lines have been updated and are in effect.
Hnatiuk/Letaim

Customer inspection:

Grain and Refineries to be done. Tillbury will also be inspected – C Neill/ P. Stewart/F Herbold

Work place inspections:

VIF – C. Neill.
Coquitlam yard – C Neill / F. Herbold

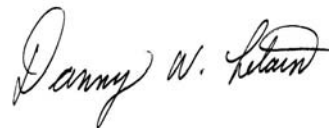
Health and safety Schedule 10 tracking document
To be updated before next meeting

ADJOURNED: 16:45

RUNNING TRADES WORKPLACE HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE



Kim Hamilton
Co-chair



Danny Letain
Co-chair

Next regular meeting for the H&S Committee will be held Wednesday September 23rd/09 at 0900 on the 2nd floor, boardroom of the Coquitlam Yard Office.