Truckmixer Driver Slip

WHAT HAPPENED

A truckmixer driver returned back to his base Concrete Plant after delivering a load. He was informed by the Plant Supervisor that work had been put on hold. The Driver said he would go and wash out the drum on his truck.

He then reversed the truck under the standpipe, exited the cab and walked around the back of the vehicle to turn on the water. There was some standing water in the gulley at the back of the truck and he slipped in this area. He put out his hand out to prevent falling over, however the momentum caused his head to strike the vehicle in the area of the rear light cluster, cutting his right ear and requiring 8 micro stitches as a result.

- It would appear that wearing of a safety helmet prevented more serious injury

- The Driver's Personal Protective Equipment was inspected and all found to be in good condition

- The Driver had received a recent site induction



LEARNING POINTS / ACTIONS TAKEN

The wash area should be modified to reduce the standing water, the stand pipe should be extended or relocated and the on/off switch re positioned to enable drivers to be segregated from hazards in this area.

The Driver may have been more aware of the potential to slip if someone had had highlighted the increased risk due to the standing water.

There was standing water in the wash out area but no near miss / hazard alert cards had been raised – Are working areas regularly inspected and reporting / corrective action taken?

The incident only came to light the following day when the Central Shipping Office contacted the Operations Supervisor to see if the truck would be off the road the following day – Are all persons aware of incident reporting procedures?

Drivers regularly use this area – Are drivers aware of ‘MY SPACE’ principles? (see page 22 in the MPA Driver's Handbook available under Hot Topics).

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