



SAFETY NEWSLETTER

San Diego Operations

MARCH SAFETY MADNESS

This month, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) has been a reoccurring infraction across the San Diego Division. The importance of wearing proper PPE during operations is immensely critical since it is our last line of defense when unsafe conditions and/or potential hazards occur. According to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), PPE and lifesaving equipment was listed number 9 out of the top 10 Safety Violations with a record of 1,401 citations.

In February, Loss Control Manager Bradley Whitney visited our office to discuss improvement objectives and Safety Analytics. Plans for improvement involve programs that may help prevent injuries such as possessing a Glove Program, Material Handling Program, Accident/Injury Program, and more. Following Bradley’s visit, we have developed a few of the programs that were discussed in the meeting. These programs were produced to ensure the health and safety of our employee’s and ensuring safe working conditions during operations for each location,

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What’s new in the EHS Department?

- **EHS-SI-3123** – Occupational Safety and Health Standards
- **TKS-S-IR-001** – Incident Report Form
- **TKS-S-IR-002** – Employee Statement Form

What is the purpose for these new documents?

- EHS-SI-3123 discusses safety items that TKS Employees must conform to. Like OSHA and NAVSEA standards, we have created our own items & regulations to comply and meet during operations.

What is the purpose for these new documents? (continued)

- TKS-S-IR-001/002 are incident report forms and statement documentation for all incidents/injuries. These newly produced forms request specific information that help management understand and report issues. It also allows us to identify root causes and long-term corrective actions.

During our 1st quarter, our very own TKS President proposed a brilliant idea on how we can track employee certifications in the field and to also provide project information for our customers at the jobsites. That brilliant idea was to produce a dynamic QR code that can be edited and viewed in live time even after labels have been distributed. By simply placing a QR code label on an employee’s hard hat or applying a label next to one of our scaffold inspection tags, TKS Management and customers can virtually view information on an employee’s certifications or informative details for a project. These past few weeks, we have been searching for a program that can fulfill this need. After scanning through the internet and going through trials, we finally found the right program to accomplish this task. Currently, it is still in progress and shall be issued and fully operable in our 2nd quarter.

