



August 11, 2018

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Re: Construction Safety Survey

Omaha, NE

Bill,

This report is in follow-up to the safety survey completed on July 23, 2018. The purpose of the survey was to identify potential safety hazards and/or OSHA violations. Bill Smith is the contact person at this location.

Attached, is a list of safety observations and recommendations based on conditions present at the time of my visit. If you have any questions or require additional information after reading this report, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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# Report Summary

Report Name: Construction Safety Survey

Completed for: Best Company Inspection Date: July 23, 2018 Location: Omaha, NE

Contact: Bill Smith, Superintendent

Job Number: 12345
Project Manager Tim Miller
Region: Midwest
Score: 61.4%

Scope of Work: Construction Site Safety Inspection

## Findings:

## 1) Aerial/Boom Lifts

Workers in aerial lift are tied off to an approved anchorage point (1926.453)

- Only trained and/or authorized operators are allowed to use aerial lifts (1926.453)
- Worker(s) observed standing on toeboard or rail of lift, did not keep both feet on floor of basket (1926.453) (See Photo)

Note: Worker observed standing on mid-rail of JLG

- Aerial lift is stationary when boom or basket is elevated with workers in it (1926.453)
- Aerial lifts are inspected daily/prior to use and inspections are documented (1926.453)

## 2) Cranes

- Required safety devices (i.e. level indicator, boom/jib stops, stabilizer holding device/check valve, horn, etc.) are installed and maintained (1926.1415)
- A visual inspection by a competent person is completed each shift the equipment is used (1926.1412)
- Signals (hand, voice, audible, etc.) and means of transmitting signals to the operator (direct line of sight, video, radio, etc.) are established (1926.1419)
- Accessible areas within swing radius of crane are not barricaded to prevent workers from being struck or crushed (1926.1424) (See Photo)

**Note:** Observed 3 crawler cranes on site and two of them did not have guards.

## 3) Electrical Safety

• GFCI is used for temporary power connections (1926.404) (See Photo)

**Note:** There was good use of temporary GFCI throughout.

 Not all flexible cord(s) are maintained in good condition (i.e. evidence of worn or frayed cords) (1926.416) (See Photo)

**Note:** Several cords were observed and most were in good condition, with the exception of the one pictured in this report. It was immediately removed from service.

 Electrical cords are not adequately protected or kept clear of working spaces and walkways (1926.416) (See Photo) **Note:** Cord near job trailer needs to be relocated.

- Employees avoid working near unprotected energized circuits (1926.416)
- Equipment or circuits that are deenergized are locked or tagged out (1926.417)
- Entrance to rooms/locations with exposed live parts are marked with warning signs forbidding unqualified persons to enter (1926.403)
- Electrical panels/circuits are effectively enclosed (1926.405)
- Electrical receptacles have an approved cover or faceplate (1926.405)
- Proper clearance (minimum 3 ft.) is maintained in front of and around electrical equipment (1926.403, Table K-1)
- Weatherproof enclosures are properly installed on electrical cabinets, fittings, boxes, outlets, switches, breakers, etc. installed in damp/wet locations (1926.405)

## 4) Fall Protection

- Employees are protected from falls at unprotected sides/edges when working 6 feet or more above lower level (1926.501) (See Photo)
- Guardrails are installed, maintained and compliant (1926.502)
- The PFA System does not protect employee(s) from coming in contact with lower level (1926.502) (See Photo)

**Note:** There were a couple of instances where a retractable lanyard would have been a better option versus 6' lanyard in order to limit fall distance.

- Floor hole covers are secured, capable of supporting 2x maximum load, and appropriately marked (1926.502)
- Control lines are not erected at least 6 back feet from all unprotected/leading edges when erecting precast concrete members (1926.502) (See Photo)

**Note:** Need to reevalute worksite and install control lines as required (specifically along north edge of roof on main building)

• The warning line is flagged (at least every 6 feet) and suspended between 34 and 39 inches above the roof surface (1926.502)

## 5) Fire Safety

- Fire extinguishers not maintained in operating condition (1926.150) (See Photo)

  Note: This extinguisher near mechanical contractors appears to have been discharged
- The travel distance to nearest fire extinguisher is not within 100 feet (1926.150) (See Photo)

**Note:** Couldn't find a fire extinguisher on the roof

- Only approved/UL listed fire extinguishers are provided (1926.150)
- Flammable/combustible liquids are stored in approved/closed containers (1926.152) (See Photo)

#### 6) Fueling Operations

• Fuel tanks are not properly labeled/identified (NFPA 30) (See Photo)

Note: Contact fuel supplier to have them label fuel tanks

#### 7) Housekeeping

- Housekeeping is unacceptable/needs improvement (1926.25) (See Photo)

  Note: Housekeeping throughout worksite needs to be improved.
- Workers are exposed to scrap lumber with protruding nails (1926.25) (See Photo)

## 8) Ladders/Stairs

- Not all ladders are set up at proper angle (1926.1053) (See Photo)

  Note: Ladder is sagging, doesnt appear to be set at proper angle
- Top of ladder/side rails are not secured as needed to prevent side shift (1926.1053) (See Photo)
- Handrails are not provided as required on stairs with 4 or more risers (1926.1052) (See Photo)

**Note:** Stairs to electrical contractor storage trailer need a handrail

 Treads and/or landings on pan stairways are filled with concrete or temporary wood fillers (1926.1052)

## 9) **PPE**

- Not all employees used ANSI approved eye protection as required (1926.102) (See Photo)
   Note: Overall, use of eye/face protection was good, but found plumber not wearing safety
   qlasses
- Face protection is used when sawing, cutting, grinding, welding, etc. (1926.102) (See Photo)
- Hard hats are worn as required (1926.100)
- Appropriate safety footwear is worn as required (1926.28)
- Hearing protection is provided/used as required (1926.52)

## 10) Public Protection

- Public exposure to airborne contaminants (dust/fumes/smoke) are adequately controlled (ANSI A10.34-2001 (R2012) Section 3.2.2)
- Controls are in place to protect the public where construction operations are near pedestrian/vehicular traffic (ANSI A10.34-2001 (R2012) Section 3.2.3)
- Areas where public is exposed to mobile equipment are barricaded/guarded (ANSI A10.34-2001 (R2012) Section 3.2.7.2)
- Barriers, enclosures, netting, etc. is used to protect public from falling/wind-borne objects (ANSI A10.34-2001 (R2012) Section 3.2.8)
- Measures are taken (i.e. fencing, signs, etc.) to restrict public access to jobsite (ANSI A10.34-2001 (R2012) Section 3.2.9) (See Photo)

## 11) Rigging

- Rigging equipment is inspected daily and during use and maintained in good condition (1926.251)
- Not all rigging equipment is properly tagged/labeled with required markings (1926.251) (See Photo)

**Note:** Spec tags missing on several wire rope slings

- Rigging equipment is used per manufacturer's specifications (Best Practice)
- Rigging equipment is properly stored when not in use (Best Practice)

## 12) Safety Training

Toolbox talks are completed weekly per company policy (1926.21) (See Photo)
 Note: The superintendent just finished a safety huddle on the topic of Heat Stress as I showed up on site.

Toolbox talks are documented/signed by employees (Best Practice)

## 13) Scaffolds (Supported)

- Legs/posts/frames/uprights are supported on base plates and mud sills (1926.451) (See Photo)
- Scaffolds are not inspected and/or free of visible defects (1926.451) (See Photo)
  Note: Inspections occur but no documentation can be found
- Ladder or approved means are provided/used to access platform (1926.451)
- Work platform is reasonably clean/free of excessive debris (1926.451)
- Scaffolds and scaffold components are not loaded in excess of their maximum intended loads (1926.451)

## 14) Steel Erection

- Site layout is not properly graded, drained, and/or there's inadequate space for safe storage (1926.752) (See Photo)
  - Note: Laydown yard should be relocated or provide better drainage for water
- Guardrails and toeboards are installed around structural openings such as stairs and elevator openings (1926.754)
- Tools, equipment, materials aloft when not in use are secured against accidental displacement (1926.759) (See Photo)
- Perimeter safety cables are installed at all exterior/interior perimeters as soon as decking is finished (1926.760)
- Perimeter safety cables are flagged at 6 feet intervals with high-visibility material (1926.760)
- Custody of fall protection has been transferred to the controlling contractor or representative in areas where steel erection activity has been completed (1926.760)

## **Closing Comments:**

All issues of non-compliance were reviewed prior to leaving the site. An action plan will be implemented to address deficiencies in a timely manner.

#### Recommendations:

Aerial/Boom Lifts

- When working from an aerial lift, employees must stand firmly on the floor of the basket and not be allowed to step or climb on toebard or railing of basket or use planks, ladders or other devices for a work position. Take appropriate steps to maintain compliance with this requirement. [reference 1926.453(b)(2)(iv)] View OSHA Standard
  - Note: Worker observed standing on mid-rail of JLG
  - Responsible Party: E.J. Erectors

## 15) Cranes

- All accessible areas within the swing radius of a crane shall be barricaded to prevent workers from being struck or crushed. Take appropriate action to address issues of non-compliance. [reference 1926.1424(a)] <u>View OSHA Standard</u>
  - Note: Observed 3 crawler cranes on site and two of them did not have guards.
  - Severity Rating: Advisory
  - Responsible Party: Master Construction

## 16) Electrical Safety

- Inspect electric cords or cables with each use and make sure worn or frayed cords are removed from service [reference 1926.416(e)(1)]. Ideally, damaged cords/cables should be completely removed from the work area and tagged DO NOT USE or they should be properly discarded (i.e. rendered unusable/cut in half, placed in trash receptacle). View OSHA Standard
  - Note: Several cords were observed and most were in good condition, with the exception of the one pictured in this report. It was immediately removed from service.
  - Responsible Party: Best Contractor

#### Item(s) noted above were corrected immediately! No further action required.

- Instruct workers to keep electrical cords reasonably clear of working spaces, walkways or similar
  areas to minimize trip/fall hazard and to protect cords from damage [reference 1926.416(b)(2)].
  Consider re-routing cords away from active work areas or eliminating cords that are no longer
  needed. In some situations, it may be necessary to suspend cords (using an approved method)
  or bury them (using an approved protective cover) to minimize risk of damage or electrical shock.
  View OSHA Standard
  - Note: Cord near job trailer needs to be relocated.
  - Responsible Party: Master Construction

#### 17) Fall Protection

- When using Personal Fall Arrest Systems, the PFA system must be rigged such that an employee does not contact any lower level if they should fall. Take steps to address deficiencies as noted in report. [reference 1926.502(d)(16)(iii)] <u>View OSHA Standard</u>
  - Note: There were a couple of instances where a retractable lanyard would have been a better option versus 6' lanyard in order to limit fall distance.
  - Severity Rating: Serious
  - Responsible Party: E.J. Erectors
- When erecting precast concrete members, the control line shall be erected not less than 6 feet nor more than 60 feet or half the length of the member being erected, whichever is less, from the

leading edge. Take steps to install, repair or replace control lines as needed. [reference 1926.502(g)(1)(ii)] View OSHA Standard

- Note: Need to reevalute worksite and install control lines as required (specifically along north edge of roof on main building)
- Severity Rating: Serious
- Responsible Party: Atta Boy Roofing

## 18) Fire Safety

- Take steps to ensure all fire extinguishers used at the jobsite are fully charged and maintained in good operating condition [reference 1926.150(a)(4)]. Defective equipment should be immediately replaced. View OSHA Standard
  - Note: This extinguisher near mechanical contractors appears to have been discharged
  - Severity Rating: Advisory
  - Responsible Party: Midwest Mechanical
- The travel distance from any point of the protected area to the nearest fire extinguisher shall not exceed 100 feet of travel distance [reference 1926.150(c)(1)(i)]. Take appropriate steps to ensure an adequate number of working fire extinguishers are provided at the worksite to meet this requirement. View OSHA Standard
  - Note: Couldn't find a fire extinguisher on the roof
  - Severity Rating: Moderate
  - Responsible Party: Atta Boy Roofing

Item(s) noted above were corrected immediately! No further action required.

## 19) Fueling Operations

- Take steps to ensure fuel tanks are properly labeled and/or identified with fuel name stenciled on tank, flammable placards, etc. per requirements in NFPA 30 and/or applicable local/state codes.
  - Note: Contact fuel supplier to have them label fuel tanks
  - Severity Rating: Advisory
  - Responsible Party: Panther Construction

#### 20) Housekeeping

- Take steps to ensure all work areas, passageways, and stairs are kept reasonably clean, orderly and free of scrap lumber, trash, debris, cords, etc. [reference 1926.25(a)]. View OSHA Standard
  - Note: Housekeeping throughout worksite needs to be improved.
  - Severity Rating: Moderate
  - Responsible Party: Best Contractor, Drake's Drywall, Spellman Construction
- Scrap lumber with protruding nails shall be kept cleared from work areas, passageways, and stairs, in and around buildings or other structures [reference 1926.25(a)]. View OSHA Standard
  - Severity Rating: Moderate
  - Responsible Party: Panther Construction

## 21) Ladders/Stairs

- Take steps to ensure ladders are set up at a proper angle where the horizontal distance from the top support to the foot of ladder is approximately 1/4th the working length of the ladder. As a general rule of thumb, the worker should be able to stand vertically with both feet against the base of the ladder and reach out horizontally with both arms fully extended and grasp the side rails. [reference 1926.1053(b)(5)(l)] <u>View OSHA Standard</u>
  - Note: Ladder is sagging, doesnt appear to be set at proper angle
  - Responsible Party: E.J. Erectors
- Take appropriate steps to ensure ladder side rails are secured to a rigid support to prevent the top of ladder from shifting (i.e. slipping sideways and possibly falling over). [reference 1926.1053(b)(1)] <u>View OSHA Standard</u>
  - Responsible Party: Best Contractor
- Take steps to ensure all stairways having four or more risers or rising more than 30 inches, whichever is less, are equipped with at least one handrail or two if both sides are open. [reference 1926.1052(c)] <u>View OSHA Standard</u>
  - Note: Stairs to electrical contractor storage trailer need a handrail
  - Responsible Party: Able Electric

## 22) PPE

- Take steps to ensure employees are provided with and required to wear appropriate eye protection equipment (i.e. ANSI approved) for the task whenever the potential for eye injury exists. [reference 1926.102(a)(1)] <u>View OSHA Standard</u>
  - Note: Overall, use of eye/face protection was good, but found plumber not wearing safety glasses
  - Responsible Party: Columbia Plumbing

## 23) Rigging

- Employers must ensure that all rigging equipment (i.e. slings, fastenings, attachments, etc.) has permanently affixed and legible identification markings as prescribed by the manufacturer that indicate the recommended safe working load. Rigging equipment shall not be used if markings are missing or illegible. [reference 1926.251(a)(2)(i) and (iii)] View OSHA Standard
  - Note: Spec tags missing on several wire rope slings
  - Severity Rating: Advisory
  - Responsible Party: Best Contractor

#### 24) Scaffolds (Supported)

- Scaffolds and components are to be inspected for visible defects before each work shift, and after any occurrence affecting a scaffold's structural integrity [reference 1926.451(f)(3)]. <u>View</u> OSHA Standard
  - Note: Inspections occur but no documentation can be found
  - Severity Rating: Advisory
  - Responsible Party: Bricks Masonry

## 25) Steel Erection

- The site layout must have a firm, properly graded and drained area with adequate space for the safe storage of materials and the safe operation of the erectors equipment [reference 1926.752(c)(2)]. View OSHA Standard
  - Note: Laydown yard should be relocated or provide better drainage for water

• Responsible Party: E.J. Erectors

# Score Summary Severity Adjustment

Positive Findings:	45	Critical Findings:	0	(deduct 10% for each)
Negative Findings:	18	Serious Findings:	2	(deduct 5% for each)
Total Findings:	63	Other Neg Findings:	16	(Minor, Moderate, Advisory)

Score: 61.4% Positive Severity Adjustment: 10.0%

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Site Contact Signature:

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# Photo(s):



Observed one of the ironworkers standing on midrail when I arrived.



Radius guard is missing



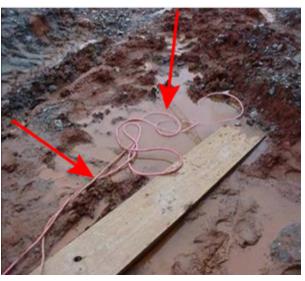
Proper use of GFCI



Radius guard is missing on this crane



This crane has radius guard, but it should be flagged



Flexible cord near job trailer should be relocated



Need warning lines installed in area marked in red



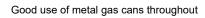
Consider alternative tie-off method (i.e. retractable to limit fall distance)





Fuel tanks are not properly labeled

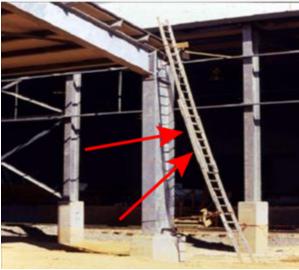






**Electrical Contractor Trailer** 





Ladder not secured



Nails were removed or bent down on several boards of scrap lumber



Fencing installed around perimeter of site





Contractor not wearing safety glasses







Good use of signage on fencing









Spellman Construction





Excellent use of face protection





Temp GFCI cords were found throughout the work site





This cord was removed from service











Good example of fall protection!



Ladder needs to be tied off