

# SAFETY ALERT

## Carbon Monoxide in Barge Camp



### Summary:

One of Interfor's leased barges had an exhaust leak in a boiler in the light plant room in the basement. A worker in the room above suffered from the symptoms of Carbon Monoxide inhalation. The worker was sent to the hospital for oxygen therapy. This was a Lost Time incident.

### Further Information and/or Requirements:

- Gasoline-powered tools, natural gas heaters, kilns, furnaces and boilers all produce Carbon Monoxide.
- Daily inspections of engines and fuel fired equipment on barges and in camps are mandatory.
- Exhaust leaks must be immediately addressed. This may require locking out equipment until repair is complete.
- Most cookhouse's have Carbon Monoxide detectors but more must be installed including in common areas.
- Signs must be posted on barges and in camps where there is a risk to of Carbon Monoxide exposure.
- Employers must develop and implement an effective exposure control plan which includes training workers and supervisors if there is a risk of Carbon Monoxide exposure.

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