

Forest Industry Safety Alert

Inspection of log truck reveals broken frame

Location: Campbell River Forest District

Date: May 25, 2016

Details of Close Call / Serious Incident: The driver of a self-loading log truck reported to the shop that he noticed his truck was handling differently.

After a quick inspection, he suspected that one front spring had a broken leaf. When the mechanics arrived to carry out repairs, they found the frame was broken behind the loader mount. The truck was taken out of service.

Learnings and Suggestions: Regular thorough inspections of the truck are essential and are not limited to pre/post trip inspections.

Should you notice a difference in the driving/operational performance of your truck, it is imperative that the cause be accurately diagnosed to ensure continued safe operation.

The increased frequency of these inspections is even more critical when hauling on rough roads or carrying heavier weights.

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