## **Operations Plant & Equipment Safety**

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## **Discussion Objectives**

- Knowledge sharing
- Highlight common safety challenges
- Discuss possible solutions/concepts/technology
- Discuss current s!afety regulatory environment

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## Safety Management

- Is Safety a "Priority" at your facilities?
- Should it be?
- Define "Value" & Define "Priority"?
- How can I tell if Safety is being managed effectively?

## **Common Safety Challenges**

- Machine Guarding-consistent definition
- Lockout/Tagout Understanding & Implementation
- Housekeeping & Combustible Dust Control
- Language Barriers

## **Machine Guarding**

- Point of Operation & Nip-Points
- Fixed, Adjustable, Self-Adjusting, Interlocking Guards
- Guarding by Distance/Location

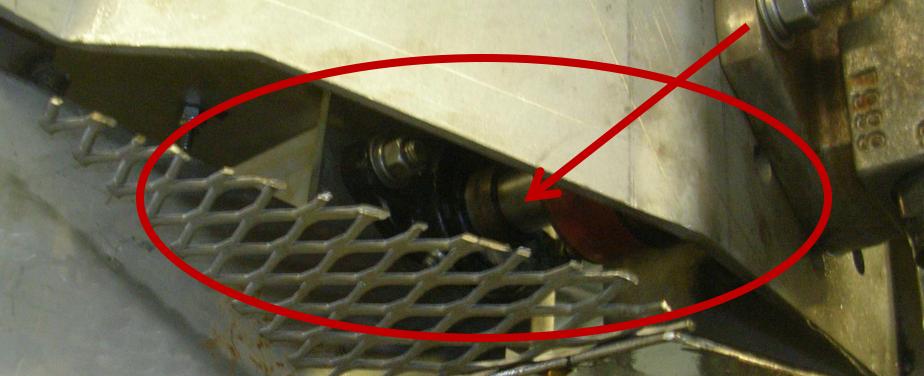
Nip Point Examples

**Conveyor rotating shaft and sprocket rollers need to be guarded** 

# Internal conveyor rotating shafts and rollers need to be guarded



#### **Conveyor rotating lovejoy coupling not guarded completely**

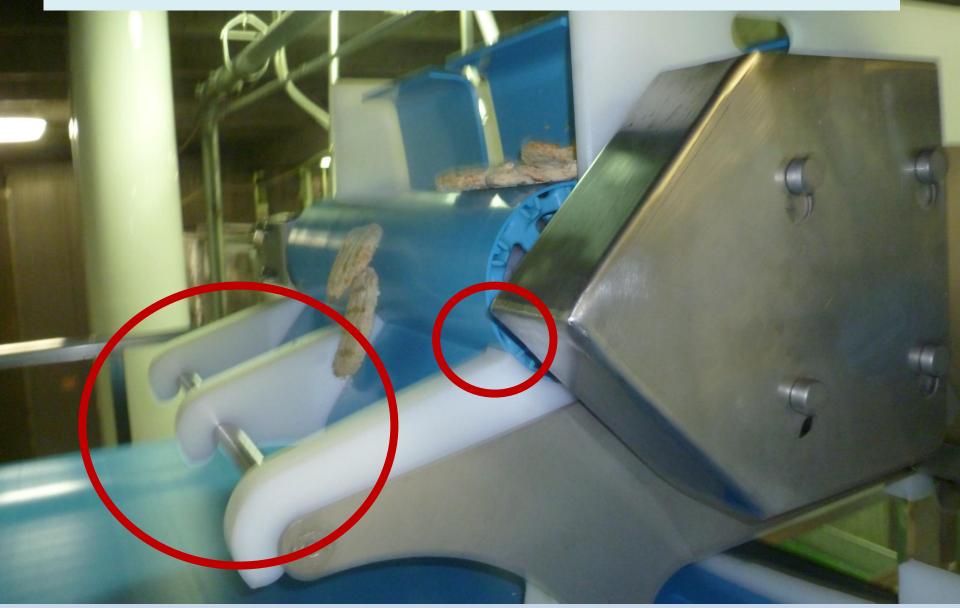


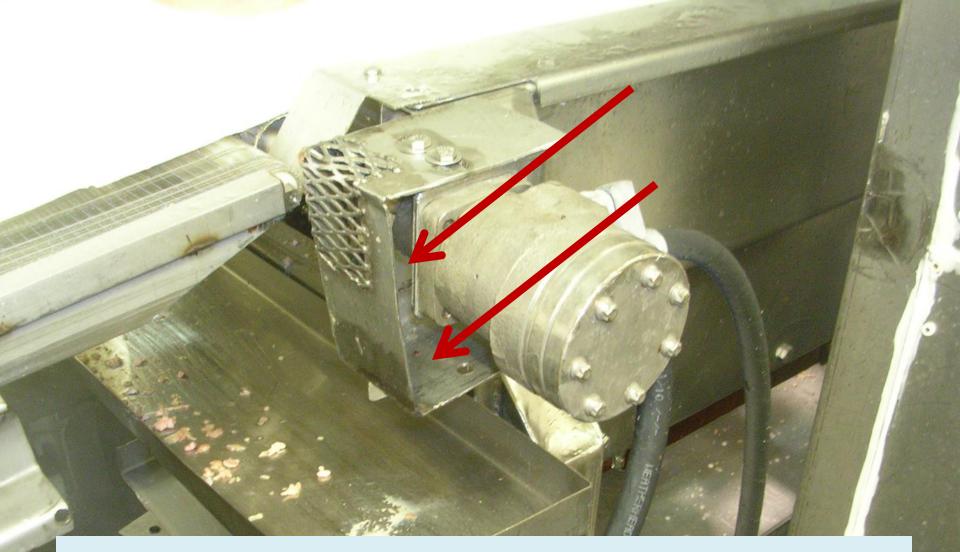
# Rotating and extended shaft must be guarded or eliminated



#### **Rotating shaft needs to be guarded**

# Flighted belts and pinchpoints need to be guarded





Guards not adjusted properly to completely cover rotating parts

## **Guarding by Distance/Location**

- What constitutes Guarding by Distance or Location?
- How far is far enough? 10 feet, 6 Feet, 2 Feet?

## **Prevention Through Design**

- Address issues before equipment is installed
- Include FSQA, Operations, Safety, Maintenance, Purchasing
- Set and communicate standards to OEM's and Fabricators

## Lockout/Tagout

- What are the minimum elements of an <u>effective</u> and compliant LOTO program?
  - In Writing & Available
  - Designated authorized and affect workers responsibilities/training
  - LOTO SOP's
  - LOTO Devices-Locks, Tags, Other Devices & Tags
  - SOP Reviews
  - Periodic Inspections
  - Alternate Procedures

#### **Housekeeping & Combustible Dust**

- Is a written Housekeeping program required by OSHA?
- How much is too much legible dust?
  1/8<sup>th</sup> inch currently 1/32<sup>nd</sup> of an inch proposed
- Dust Control Methods
- Possible dust clean-up methods-Sweeping, Vacuuming, Washing, Blow-Down????

### **Employee Understanding**

- How do you know your folks understand?
- Are language barriers an a Safety Management obstacle?
- What are some effective solutions being used to overcome this challenge?

## **Current Regulatory Environment**

- New OSHA Reporting requirements-January 1, 2015
- LOTO SOP Reviews and Periodic Inspections
- Multi-Employer Worksites
- SVEP-OSHA's Hit List
- Safety Incentive Programs

#### **QUESTIONS?**

