



# **RED ALERT!**

## ***Lost Time Accident***

**Date:** August 2007  
**Re:** Lost Time Accident Report

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The following DOSH/OSHA Lost Time Accident has occurred. In an effort to prevent similar injuries from occurring at your location, please review the injury summary shown below. Remember that a Supervisor's Incident Report is to be completed and faxed to ERNWest, within 24 hours of notification of the incident. Every accident/incident will be investigated regardless of the extent of injuries. Even a near miss or minor injury can give you causes that may stop a more serious accident from occurring in the future. Your experienced based recommendations and ideas for prevention of such an accident are welcomed and **needed**.

Please provide any such recommendations.

**Injury Summary:**

<b>Date of Hire:</b>	N/A
<b>Date Of Injury:</b>	8-23-07
<b>Date Reported:</b>	8-23-07
<b>Injury Type:</b>	Poisoning

<b>Injury Cause:</b>	<p>An employee was working in the warehouse stacking boxes onto pallets. The employee went on break and returned to her workstation with a plastic water bottle. As the employee was working, she grabbed the closest clear bottle and took a drink. The bottle contained a clear liquid xylene and employee quickly spit out the chemical. Employee swallowed some of the chemical and was immediately rushed to the emergency room.</p> <p>MSDS was taken to the emergency room and it was determined the employee ingested xylene. Employee is in intensive care and has been placed on time loss.</p>
<b>Action Taken to Prevent Reoccurrence:</b>	<p>The accident investigation concluded that the floor manager and employee did not follow through with the company's Hazcom safety program. All secondary containers must be labeled. The bottled water and xylene both did not contain the required labels. Employees and supervisors have been told to mark all containers with contents and labels to prevent mixing and accidental drinking of chemicals.</p> <p>All secondary containers will be labeled with proper NFPA-704 codes and tool box meeting will be held to remind all employees of the dangers of not labeling containers. Employees will no longer be allowed to bring food or drinks into warehouse. Employees will only be allowed to eat in designated areas.</p>