



RED ALERT!

Lost Time Accident

Date: May 2008
Re: Lost Time Accident Report

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:

Date of Hire:	February 2, 2008
Date Of Injury:	April 5, 2008
Date Reported:	April 5, 2008
Injury Type:	Paint Injection to Right Hand

Injury Cause:	New hire painter was working at Sheraton Hotel in Bellevue. The employee was spraying popcorn ceiling and was walking around a corner holding airless paint gun. As the employee was pulling the airless paint hose, the hose broke. The employee quickly grabbed the airless paint hose under high pressure. The pressure caused a puncture wound to the right hand of the employee. Employee instantly notified foreman, who noticed paint coming out of the hole in his hand. Foreman immediately rushed injured painter to emergency room. Painter was placed on time-loss for 2 weeks and was given antibiotics and evaluations to prevent poisoning.
Action Taken to Prevent Reoccurrence:	Foreman will hold tool box meetings to instruct employees to inspect all paint lines and to report faulty equipment to him. Employer has decided to discuss procedures for when a line breaks (decrease pressure in line before handling it). Employer has also inserted a safety section into their existing new hire orientation program to identify inspecting hoses for wear and how to handle broken lines under pressure. During visit to medical room, doctor requested MSDS sheet from employer. Foreman did not have a copy at time and did not have product name. If possible, bring MSDS book to hospital for injuries related to hazardous chemicals so physicians know what the employee was exposed to.