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£46,000 for platform overturn

Utility contractor the Freedom group has been fined £35,000 plus more than £11,272 in costs after a man was badly injured when his aerial lift was pulled over.

Nicholas Chenery, 33, suffered a compound fracture to the left leg and three fractured vertebrae to his lower spine in the incident at Chipping, on the A10 between Royston and Buntingford, in August 2012. Chenery was one of three men rigging three overhead lines that were 500 metres apart. One of these lines was secured to the platform from which Chenery was working. A dumper pulling on the line overturned the platform causing him to fall 12 metres.

A Health & Safety Executive investigation found that Freedom had fallen well below its own in-house standards regarding the planning, managing and monitoring of such a routine operation, particularly with regards to communication. Inspector John Berezansky, said: "Work at height of this nature is inherently high-risk, and it has to be properly planned, controlled and supervised. In this instance, the two teams involved in the task were separated by some 500 metres. Radios and mobile phones were provided; however the level of communication was poor and ambiguous, and the supervision of the task was sub-standard. The company should have ensured that the system in place was robust enough to deal with the risk. Without such a system in place, and in the absence of appropriate supervision, the workers became exposed to a much higher level of risk throughout the operation - especially Mr Chenery, who was in the most vulnerable position in the cherry picker bucket some 12 metres up in the air."

Contractor cited for fatality

Massachusetts-based Fairview Contractors faces fines up to \$119,350 after a 51 year old employee fell five metres to his death while carrying out roofing work on an apartment last November.

OSHA cited Fairview for two wilful violations and five serious violations after an investigation found that the scaffolds and walkboards used lacked guardrails and that employees working on the roof and scaffolds lacked fall arrest systems. The company was also cited for failing to train workers on how to recognise hazards and work safely on scaffolds, roofs and ladders.

Mary Hoyer, OSHA's area director for central and western Massachusetts, said: "This was a needless and avoidable loss of a life. While guardrails and fall arrest systems were present at this work site, they were not used and were thus useless. Fatalities such as this will stop only when employers supply and ensure the use of effective and legally required fall protection safeguards on all job sites at all times."

Training the trainer

US crane and rigging training provider Crane Institute of America has introduced its new 'The Complete Package' training programme for independent crane and rigging instructors.

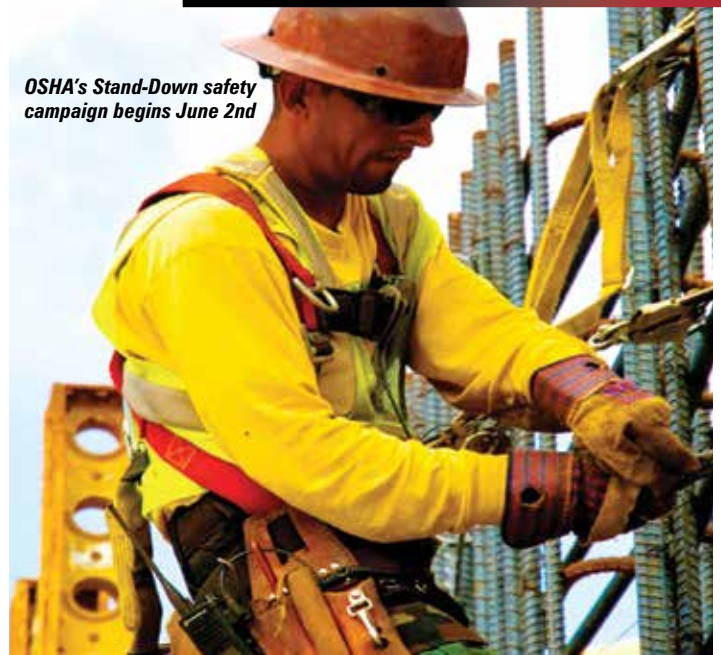
Delegates completing the two week course, can become certified trainers as well as a Crane Institute Certification (CIC) authorised practical examiner.

Jim Headley, director of Crane Institute of America, said: "The Complete Package eliminates the cost for trainers to develop and maintain their own training programs, and it makes training more accessible to workers, thereby increasing crane and rigging operations safety. When provided with properly developed materials, good trainers have a greater chance of success."



The Complete Package is a new training programme for independent crane and rigging instructors

OSHA's Stand-Down safety campaign begins June 2nd



OSHA's fall prevention campaign

OSHA has launched a US National Safety Stand-Down campaign in an attempt to raise awareness of fall hazards and to reinforce the importance of fall prevention.

Layher opens customer centre

German scaffold manufacturer Layher has opened a new customer training centre in Guggingen-Eibensbach, Germany.



With the customer centre complete Layher has launched its new Technical Seminars programme

The official opening was marked by the launch of its Technical Seminars programme which trains customers

in the assembly and dismantling of various Layher systems. The new 4,000 square metre facility features seminar rooms for theory-based training and conferences and a training hall for workshops, live demonstrations and practical training, with a roof height of 10 metres there is room to build scaffolds and to create suspended and cantilever scaffolding.



Who trained him then?

This man was spotted using a long two section ladder placed in the raised bucket of a skid steer loader. The man has climbed further up the tree and balanced a second ladder on a cut tree limb in order to work at a height of about 15 metres.