

10,000 Generators For Ukrainian Families

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Power to Ukraine

Following several successful campaigns the Plant & Hire Aid Alliance has launched its latest appeal, which aims to send 10,000 desperately needed generators to Ukraine.

Why are generators needed?

Following repeated attacks on the power grid and other critical infrastructure, President Zelensky said that generators had become "as important as armour in helping Ukraine to survive this winter".

Ukraine needs you!

By donating to the Plant & Hire Aid Alliance appeal you or your company can make a real difference, providing life-saving winter heating to a desperate Ukrainian family.

"For just £270, you can send a generator to keep these families warm," said Jeremy Fish, the CEO of Ardent Hire and one of the founders of the Alliance. "We're appealing to colleagues around the world, to join us to help reach this ambitious target of 10,000 generators."



Targeted help

The Alliance has created a website where aid workers will register each recipient. This includes details of their family or group, along with a declaration that the generator will only be used for personal and humanitarian purposes.

69 Rotary Clubs across Ukraine will monitor the generators' use, confirming that they have been installed where need is the greatest and are being used as intended. "This not only maximises the impact of the campaign," explains Fish. "It also gives our generous donors the reassurance that their contribution is making a real difference."



Make a difference today

100% of your donation will go directly towards generator orders for immediate dispatch. Your donation, however large or small, will genuinely save lives.

Please help the people of Ukraine at this time of need.

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justgiving.com/fundraising/ukraine-gensets



FATAL INCIDENT COSTS COMPANY DIRECTOR \$60,000

Ng Chin Sang, the director of Fusion Builders in Singapore was fined \$60,000 (€42,000) following the death of employee Kaliyaperumal Manikandan, 22, in 2017. He was working from a scissor lift fixing electrical cables within a tray mounted on the wall at a height of around eight metres, when an overhead crane collided with it, causing Manikandan to fall to his death.



The investigation found that Ng Chin Sang, 72, was fully aware that employees were using the crane freely regardless of whether they had been trained or not. The prosecutor said: "He knew the workers used the crane freely regardless of their level of training and that the remote controls were passed around among workers. It added that the company failed to prevent 'incompatible works involving the concurrent use of the crane and scissor lift' and that it also failed to implement measures to warn those on the platform of the approach of the crane.

Sebastian Tan a director of MOM (Ministry of Manpower) the occupational safety and health inspectorate, said: "This death was entirely preventable, if not for the negligence of Fusion and Ng. The company's multiple safety breaches show a lack of emphasis on workers' safety. Top management must take ownership of workplace safety and health, and implement a strong safety culture at the workplace, so that workers follow suit."

FATAL LOADING INCIDENT PROVIDES LESSONS

The inquest into the death of Nationwide Platforms delivery driver Lee Benham opened last month in Cornwall. While the inquest continues, the jury heard how Benham, 45, had been loading scissor lifts onto his truck at Nationwide's Liskeard depot that day, when his colleague, Andrew Johnson, discovered him crushed between two scissor lifts with his hand still on the joystick of the upper controls of a 40ft slab electric scissor lift. Johnson had been loading his own truck nearby when he went to ask Benham a question. The inquest was told that the drivers had been trained to always load the lifts from the platform, and only 'dog-walk' the machines onto or off the truck in very exceptional circumstances.

One suggestion made to the jury, was that with the control box hanging from the platform, Benham may have confused the joystick direction and therefore drove the machine into, rather than away from him. Johnson immediately took the controller and reversed the platform away. He immediately realised that the crush was serious and called an ambulance. Sadly, Benham was declared dead at the hospital, caused by blunt chest injuries.

The unfortunate example has been used in training, while local managers said that an improved and stricter safety regime had been implemented, learning from the incident, adding that "everyone at the company has bought into the need for everyone to look out for each other and be more conscious of what's going on around them."



WHO TRAINED THEM THEN?

Spotted this summer in England, a thatcher, his pick-up truck and a ladder. While this might not be a job for powered access, this is certainly not the solution. Parked on a blind bend he is taking up one lane of the busy road with only a wheely bin for protection and his ladder is at an angle that anyone can see is risky.



FORMAL RENTAL COMPANY TECHNICIAN TRAINING IN CHINA

Late last year Haulotte China and Changzhou Vocational Institute of Mechatronic Technology agreed to cooperate on aerial work platform training at the Haulotte facility in Changzhou. The institute is said to be the leading vocational education organisation in China. It will now help develop and promote training courses for aerial lift technicians, with a focus on the growing number of Chinese rental companies. The move is also Haulotte's response to the government's programme: 'Accelerating the development of national strategic talents'.

The agreement signing ceremony was attended by Harry Wang, Hubert Moreau, Maya Chen and Wen Zhong of Haulotte, along with Zhu Ping, CPC committee deputy secretary of Changzhou Vocational Institute of Mechatronic Technology, and Wu Zhengyong, general party branch secretary of the Transportation Engineering School.



The agreement signing ceremony at Haulotte Changzhou