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CRANE BASKETS, PERSONNEL TRANSPORTATION

PURPOSE:

This procedure defines the conditions under which crane baskets may be used for personnel transportation and the safety precautions which must be taken.

SCOPE:

This procedure applies to all Monsanto and contractor personnel performing work for the Maintenance Department.

DISCUSSION:

Temporary access facilities available at Chocolate Bayou include portable ladders, stairs, platforms, scaffolds, cherry picker baskets and crane baskets. The crane basket may be used for personnel transportation only when other more conventional means are not practical. Examples are as follows: Where an individual is required to make multiple trips up a distillation column and fatigue presents a greater hazard than the bucket ride, or where time and economics do not allow for other access means to be employed.

PROCEDURE:

The following safety precautions must be taken before personnel are permitted to ride in or work from crane baskets:

- A Hazardous Work Permit must be obtained with Maintenance Zone Supervisor level approval.
- Personnel will be transported only in crane baskets designed for that purpose. Riding on loads is prohibited.

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PROCEDURE (Continued)

- A tag line will be used.
- The number of people being transported will not exceed the basket design capacity.
- HORSEPLAY OF ANY NATURE WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. The National Safety Council report, Study of Aerial Basket Accidents, states that "...3 out of 4 accidents can be attributed to the acts of individuals."
- When performing work from the basket, the occupants will wear life belts fastened to the basket and will carry only materials and tools required for the actual work being performed at that time.
- When working from the crane basket near or with open flames, a fire blanket will be carried in the basket.
- Work on or near (10 feet) energized, unguarded electrical circuits will not be performed from a crane basket.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Crane basket passengers are responsible for adhering to requirements of this procedure.

The Maintenance foreman is responsible for physically checking the condition of the crane basket, cables, etc., insuring that all provisions of this procedure are met and instructing the passengers on possible personnel hazards and needed precautions.

The Maintenance Zone Supervisor or Contractor Supervisor will assure himself that no practical means of temporary access, other than the crane basket, is available and that the personnel lift will be accomplished safely.