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SUBJECT Safety Contact 1976 Follow-Up
HDPE Department 35

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All returned cards from the Safety Contact Program were reviewed for valid comments and suggestions that could improve the safety performance in Department 35 and eliminate potential hazards. Some of the items noted are already being corrected; others are new and will be implemented. Listed below are the valid comments/suggestions with the status/planned action.

ITEM NO.	SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS	STATUS/PLANNED ACTION	RESPONSIBILITY
1	Pellet transfer hose station operation has strain, tripping and pinch point hazards (2 comments).	This hose station has been mechanically revised several times to reduce hazards. Proper procedure/work practice is important and must be followed. Actions A. Perform work analysis to determine the proper procedure - develop formal written procedure and train all operators. B. Make and engineer study to explore new equipment or installation.	BAH
2	Changing screen blocks is a lifting, dropping, and burn hazard (3 comments).	A. Develop formal written procedure to change screen blocks. The procedure will be taught to each operator and enforced. B. Replace air hoist on lines 1 and 2 with 2 chain operated hoists. C. Provide leather welders gloves and sleevelets to each operator.	RLT
3	Removing blob/powder/ crumb from top of ram. Hands are inside fluff mechanism when ram moves (1 comment).	A standard written procedure will be developed to do this job safely. Equipment modification will be done as required.	RLT

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4	Revise door to additive package room to allow drums to be moved in more safely.	New door that will swing in is on order.	RLT
5	Moving, heating and pumping liquid additives could cause burns, chemical contact irritations and strains (2 comments).	Procedures and equipment will be reviewed and changed if needed.	RLT
6	Considerable dust is present while dumping additives into blend tank.	Each operator will be issued dust respirators. Procedure and evacuation equipment will be examined for adequacy.	RLT
7	Blade change on G1-1&2 is a hazard(burns and cuts).	Procedure recently revised to decrease hazard. Life of blades has been increased from 10 days to 7 weeks.	RLT
8	Removing blob from extruder hopper while screw is turning.	This is a violation of standard written procedures - comment will be discussed with the expert.	RLT
9	Filling procedure on filters F71-1&2 after maintenance should be revised.	Order has been written to modify piping on filters F71 - 1&2 to allow procedure to be modified.	TEK

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