

NEWS BULLETIN

BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

BATON ROUGE GENERAL HOSPITAL

PLAINTIFF'S
EXHIBIT

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REFINERY OPERATIONS NOTES. Field feed-pump problems forced the Far East and West cokers to go on circulation for a brief period last night. Excellent response by operating personnel prevented any mishaps.

Procedures required to shut down the No. 1 Powerformer are under way. The throughput to PHLA-2 is being controlled to supply downstream hydrogen to consumers. The rate this morning is at 55,000 barrels a day.

REPORT CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE FATALITY. At about 11 a.m. yesterday, Eddie Joseph Fairchild, 43, of St. Gabriel, a contractor employee, was fatally injured in an accident on the refinery grounds. Fairchild was an employee of Hulinghorst Industries, Inc., of Baton Rouge. He was an insulator assigned to insulate a newly installed pipe. He was taken to Baton Rouge General Hospital, where he died, apparently as a result of electrocution. The cause and circumstances surrounding the accident are under investigation.

BECOMES ENGINEERING ASSOCIATE. Jack Goldberg has been promoted to engineering associate in the E&I Section of the Facilities Development Department. Goldberg will assume instrumentation coordination responsibility for refinery energy projects.

FDD CONSOLIDATES E&I SECTION. The Electrical & Instrument I and II sections in the Facilities Development Department have been consolidated into a single section under the supervision of Al Kliebert.

CHANGE BLUE CROSS REP'S SCHEDULE. The Blue Cross claims representative's schedule has been altered for next week. During the week, the representative will be on-site Wednesday only from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. For more information call 924-8555.

NOTE ERDL ANNOUNCEMENT CORRECTION. The Exxon Research and Development Laboratories incorrectly reported yesterday that Pat Maher had been promoted to research engineer. Maher has been promoted to staff engineer.

NEED ROOM RESERVATIONS? Effective Monday, reservations for use of conference rooms in the Refinery Main Office can be made by calling Purchasing, Ext. 7436.

DON'T FORGET SOFTBALL MEETING. Team captains will meet in the Refinery Main Office, Room 1020 at 3:30 p.m. today, to plan the coming season.

VALENTINE'S DAY is Monday. If you're looking for a special gift for your special Valentine, why not give Pierre Pelican, the official mascot of the Special Olympics? For information, contact Jake Pecquet at Ext. 7649 or Eunice Laurent at Ext. 8411.

DEATH. On February 9--Bankston Caine, retired from the refinery's Mechanical Services Department.

EXXON STOCK. Open today 30-3/8. Previous close 30-1/4.

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WEATHER. Not bad--partly cloudy today and Saturday. High temperature today in the low 60s, low tonight near 40. Little or no rain expected through the weekend. Saturday's temperatures in the mid 50s.

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From - Dan M. Dmello
Subject - Fatality at Exxon

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The following facts were given to me by Bruce Martin - Exxon Safety Dir.

1. The contractor employee was insulating a new line on a pipe rack.
2. A Gulf State utility line carrying B3, B2, KW-3 phase was running 11' 8" above the pipe rack.
3. This job met all ANSI and OSHA OSHA standards say there must be 9' clearance between work area and uninsulated, high voltage line where an unskilled man is working. They had 11' 8".
4. The employee was using 304 S.S. wire to wrap around the insulation. Someway, the wire contacted the line 11' 8" overhead.
5. There was a flash and noise like a shot gun. He wasn't burned badly but his heart stopped. Current entered, and burned, his hand and exited his chest to the pipe rack.
6. Trained EMT's started CPR within 3 minutes but they were unable to get his heart started or to start breathing. They continued moving to the hospital.
7. The wire was very brittle and couldn't not be held vertically to reach the wire overhead. They can only guess that either the wire caught on something and whipped around and he got jerked on it or that he swung it overhead.
8. OSHA spent the day with them but could find nothing unsafe. They do not issue this final report, however.

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