

SAFETY REPORT

HOME OIL & REFINING COMPANY
Great Falls, Mont.
October 27, 1936

General

Mr. Batzer, Vice president incharge, was out of city. I was unable to secure information on safety practises of the marketing end.

Refinery

A safety committee headed by Mr. Rankin, refinery superintendent, and composed of key men and five rotating members from yard gang meets once each month to discuss safety matters. Members of this committee carry instructions back to all employees.

Employees must sign that they have read safety rules and regulations

Prizes are given for safety records and a safety banquet is held every three months for those who have not had a lost time accident.

Safety magazines are kept in change room and safety bulletins posted on bulletin board. Men are all instructed in first aid.

Tank cleaning

After tanks have been cleaned by steaming and by airing until cool the are inspected by Mr. Rankin before they can be entered.

Cleaning of tanks that have contained leaded gasoline would be handled according to our regulations.

On cleaning other tanks no special clothing would be worn other than rubber boots. I have recommended that our regulations as to clothing be adopted for all tanks. Air line masks (with safety belt, and man out side) would be worn only when gas is present. Otherwise no masks would be worn unless dust is present in which case cone type or filter masks would be used.

Usual precautions would be taken as to fire hazards such as use of wooden ~~hoes~~ ^{rakes} and shovels.

Tank car cleaning and inspection

As they do not stean tank cars air line masks are worn at all times. Man inside tank must have safety belt and have another man on the outside. They are installing an emergency whistle on loading platform so that if a man is overcome by fumes in tank car, or otherwise, help is needed it can be called.

Blending Plant

Boots and gloves are dark red in color. Tennis shoes are dark in color. I have advised them to replace this equipment with new of proper color.

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