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St. Paul, Minnesota
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Mr. W. S. Johnston:

The November 2 issue of Occupational Safety & Health Reporter advised the Frisco Railway is contesting a 16-item serious citation and a $10,000 penalty, including Section 5(a) (1) for failure to protect employees against thermal burns due to steam leaks, 1910.22(a) (1) for failure to provide a clean and sanitary workplace, and 1910.212 (a) (1) for failure to guard machinery.

The company also is contesting a six-item nonserious citation and an $80 penalty, including 1903.2(a) (1) for failure to post the OSHA notice informing employees of their rights, 1910.157 (d) (2) (i) for failure to inspect fire extinguishers monthly, and 1910.178 (1) for failure to train operators in the safe operation of powered industrial trucks.

We do not have the OSHA notice posted on our property except in the State of Minnesota. We have not been cited by OSHA inspectors at points other than Minnesota, with one or two exceptions, where OSHA has inspected our property due to employee complaint. These are rather minimal fines and believe it in our best interest not to post at this time.

R. L. Grinde

cc: Mr. Barry McGrath

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