



Transport Incident – Verifying Critical Information

Incident Description: On 02/13/15 a GBI employee driving a company semi-truck hauling a 50-ton crane from Salt Lake City, Utah to Casper, Wyoming. After loading the crane the driver entered an underpass and struck a support beam with the crane when exiting on the other side. No one was injured during this incident however there was damage to the crane.



Lessons Learned:

- ✓ Never make assumptions. Verify load heights, weights and other critical information before transporting any load.
- ✓ Verify planned route will accommodate, load heights, weights, etc.
- ✓ Ask for a peer check (a fresh set of eyes) to check your task/action to ensure you will achieve your intended outcome.

Immediate Observations:

- ✓ The load was never measured to verify its actual height.
- ✓ The driver assumed the entrance of the underpass was the same height as the exit.

Safety Performance Tool to Prevent Future Occurrence:

Call a Time Out

- ✓ STOP the activity
- ✓ Inform your supervisor of the problem.
- ✓ Ask for Help - Get help to resolve questions and concerns before starting the task.
- ✓ Never proceed with the task if you are uncertain.