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Incident: Dropped object, steel wedge

Synergi Case: TBA

Location: Maersk Completer, AMDP-24
Date: Saturday October 24th 2009

Job to be done

The BOP trolley will be used for the first time in 2 ½ years away from its store position. One of the four trolley locking pins was seized in place. It had to be freed off.

Work history.

Work to free the pins had started earlier. The other three pins had been released, with some difficulty, using a hydraulic jack from underneath the trolley. The fourth pin proved unmovable at this time, the jack was not strong enough.

Work plan

Area below the job site was secured with barrier tape and job was selected to proceed at the time where there were no personnel on the platform. The wedge had been inserted as shown and hammered in. This released the lock pin now the wedge had to be removed. It was knocked out sideways when it released it fell down through a gap in the walkway side plates to the platform.

The dropped object.

Steel wedge, weight 800g, fall height estimated at 13m. No body was hurt and nothing was damaged.

Corrective actions

- •Better planning at the risk assessment stage, quality of the SJA needs to be improved to prevent drop object.
- •Need to identify if there is a steel wedge that can be purchased and added to the work aloft tool box.





