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HEALTH SAFETY ENVIRONMENTAL



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Proper Awareness While Working

One morning while on site, a property damage incident had occurred within the morning hours of the day. An employee was in the process of moving a manlift across a street to allow another vehicle access to the area they were in. While doing this, one of the spotters which were supervising the manlift had misjudged the distance that the manlift and a nearby control panel had between one another, which caused the manlift to make impact with the control panel, causing some damage. After on site safety was notified, no people were injured, but there were slight damaged to the control panel.

While this incident had no injuries and a small number of damages from it, this incident is still an important reminder as to why proper awareness is important while working on any job. Had this incident occurred in a more serious situation, there would have been more potential for greater damages or even more serious injuries. It is important make sure that, when working on the job, that all of your attention is centered on the task at hand.

In order to prevent similar circumstances like this from occurring in the future, there are a few actions which can be done:

- Make sure all people involved with the job are all aware while working, not just yourself.
- Ask questions to ensure that there are no uncertainties when working on something.
- Use the “buddy system” when moving heavy equipment in tight areas.
- Be aware of your surroundings when operating similar equipment.



**Report all incidents immediately to the GIS Hotline
1-855-543-5163**

Following your initial phone call, an incident report **must** be completed and e-mailed to:
incident@gisy.com

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