



Near Miss!



Date: August 14, 2023

Activity: Unloading groceries from conveyor

What Happened:

Prior to the grocery boxes arriving on location, the platform's operations team assembled the conveyor system to allow products flow into the galley. Once the groceries arrived, all available platform personnel proceeded to the galley to assist. Groceries were then unloaded from the grocery box and handed off to be slid down the line.

Personnel in the galley awaited boxes of product which were then removed and transported to their respective storage area. While two of the personnel were away from the conveyor, products continued down the line that was left unattended. One of the hands noticed the back-up of products and rushed stop box from falling. As he reach to catch a box from falling, he pinched his finger against the box and a wheel of the conveyor. Employee sought care of the medic to insure that no severe damage was done to his finger. After receiving care, it was noted that it was a minor incident and no skeletal damage to the personnel's finger.

Why it Happened:

So, what were some contributing factors? Our team, along with other third party contractors, were not on the same level while unloading the grocery boxes. Personnel were rushing to slide the groceries down the conveyor and were not aware of the pile up of at end of the line.

Typical Hazards/Causes:

- Pace of work too fast
- Inattentiveness of personnel conducting the task
- Proper hand placement



Corrective Actions:

Proper situational awareness of all personnel performing the task. Insure all personnel have proper PPE and understand the proper hand placement to avoid "pinch points" on the conveyor.