



Wireline & Interventions QHSSE Near Miss Review.

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- **DESCRIPTION**

The Near miss occurred on the Wed the 31st of March whilst conducting STOP tour it was noticed a box had been left near the exit to the WL workshop which was obstructing the access to the exit. Upon closer inspection it was found that the box contained lithium batteries. This was a high potential incident as lithium batteries are a hazardous explosive product. Due to the location of the water cooler nearby this was potentially very dangerous.



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- ROOT CAUSE:

Failure to follow good housekeeping practices and awareness of the hazards of lithium batteries can be attributed to the root cause of the incident. Better awareness of storage requirements for lithium batteries needs to be highlighted to personnel.

Had personnel followed good housekeeping practices the box would have been clear of the exit and not been a trip hazard, and had personnel been aware of the dangers of lithium batteries and its main foe “water” this near miss would have not occurred.



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- **CORRECTIVE AND PREVENTATIVE ACTIONS:**

- Immediately removed box from the area and placed into the correct storage area.
- Placed STOP card into the system to highlight the near miss.
- Discussion with crews on Morning Toolbox Talk and also scheduled to be highlighted in the monthly safety meeting.
- MSDS inclusion of lithium batteries into the common drive.
- Posted safety alert on Notice board.
- Currently obtaining lithium battery information for increased awareness for personnel handling and storage procedures.