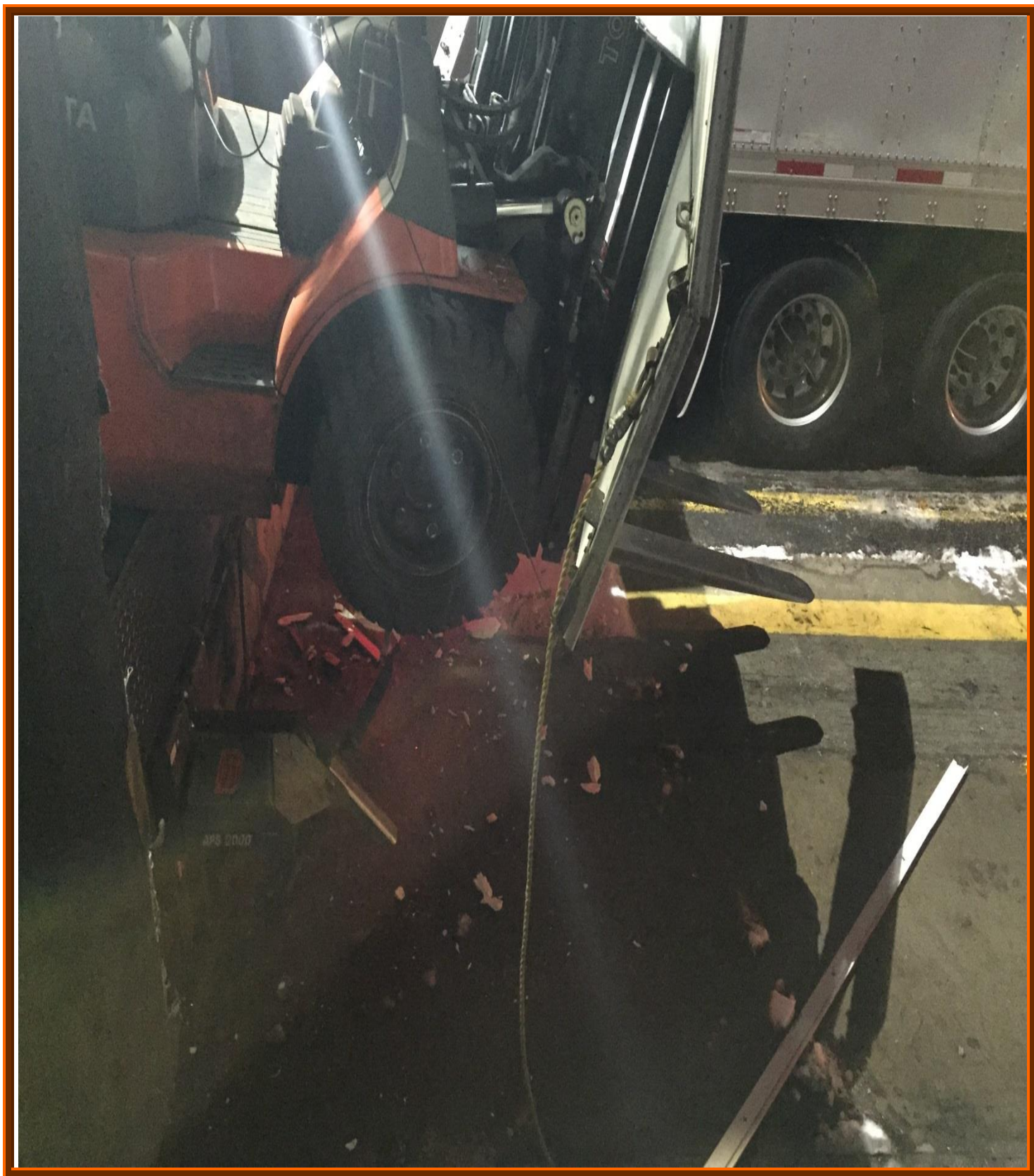




SAFETY ALERT NOTIFICATION

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OPERATION:	Norwich Rod Mill			Incident:	X
ISSUED BY:	Brian J. DeGrafft, H&S Specialist II			Injury:	
DATE:	January 14, 2015			Property Damage:	X
TIME:	1100			Process Loss:	
LOCATION/DEPARTMENT:	Shipping Department				
INCIDENT DESCRIPTION:	<p>A serious near miss was reported at 0630 on January 12th, when a Shipping Department forklift's brakes failed while in transit. At the start of the shift the operator completed the Forklift Inspection Sheet, drove the Shipping floor to test the forklift's functionality, and stopped to assess the day's inventory. The operator then drove to the Bay 1 area to ask a waiting truck driver which bay he had backed up to. Upon approach to the bay the brakes failed, and the forklift impacted the closed overhead door of the loading dock bay, coming to a stop approximately halfway off of the dock. Upon Mechanical inspection, it was found that a brake cylinder seal had failed, dropping pressure to the brake system.</p>				
DETAILS OF INJURY TYPE:	No injury.				
POTENTIAL FOR INJURY:	Fatality	Lost Time	Permanent Disability	Other Potential	
		X			
PROBABLE DIRECT CAUSES:	Mechanical failure of the brake cylinder seal.				
IMMEDIATE CORRECTIVE ACTION:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Involved forklift taken offline, mechanical inspection conducted 2. Shipping drivers will no longer drive into a bay alley unless a trailer is present 				
REQUIRED ACTIONS:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tailgate the incident with all personnel 2. Verify brake condition on all other Shipping forklifts 3. Investigate modifying dock plates to add a barrier that will automatically raise when a trailer is not at the bay 4. Tailgate the importance of pedestrian safety around active forklifts 5. Review all maintenance PM's with the forklift manufacturer 				



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