ACCIDENT SUMMARY No. 6

Accident Type: Fall from Elevation
Weather Conditions: Clear
Size of Work Crew: 4
Collective Bargaining: Non-Union
Competent Safety Monitor on Site: Yes
Safety and Health Program in Effect: Yes
Was the Worksite Inspected Regularly: Yes
Training and Education Provided: Yes
Type of Operation: Painting Contractor
Employee Job Title: Painter
Age & Sex: 36-Male
Time on the Job: 1 Week
Time on Task: 1 Hour

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ACCIDENT

A painter foreman climbed over a bridge railing to inspect work being done, slipped, and fell 150 feet to his death.

ACCIDENT PREVENTION RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Employers are to require employees to wear appropriate personal protective equipment (safety belts) in all operations where employees are exposed to hazardous conditions or in specific circumstances are required in OSHA standards 29 CFR 1926.28(a) and 29 CFR 1926.104(a).

2. Safety nets must be provided when workplaces are more than 25 feet above the ground or water surface, or other surfaces where the use of ladders, scaffold, catch platforms, temporary floors, safety lines, or safety belts is impractical as in accordance with OSHA standard 29 CFR 1926.105(a).

3. Except where either permanent or temporary stairways or suitable ramps or runaways are provided, suitable ladders should be used to give safe access to all elevations in accordance with OSHA standard 29 CFR 1926.450(a)(1).