

Dropped object: Injury resulting from failure caused by corrosion

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The United States (US) Department of the Interior Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement Gulf of Mexico OCS Region (US BSEE) has published a safety flash regarding a dropped object injury resulting from the corrosion-based failure of the eline (electric line) used in well abandonment operations.

What happened?

A crewman who was guiding equipment into a well-bore, was struck on the foot and injured by a falling object. It was found after the incident that the eline was corroded and brittle with some strands broken.

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