

HAZARD ALERT

RISK MANAGEMENT SECTION



Department of
Environment and Conservation

Date: 10/12/2009

Alert No: 5

Source:

Internal

External

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Identified Hazard: Boxes of tree marking paint on the back of Fire Control Ute's

Risk Rating:

Low

Moderate

High

Significant

Nature of Incident: Injury Property Damage Near-hit

Other:

Description of Incident:

An employee was involved in a fire and whilst directing trucks into a hop over hot embers dropped onto his tray of the vehicle igniting boxes of tree marking paint which exploded. The fire was extinguished by a Heavy Duty.

Incident Date:

24/11/09

Equipment Involved:

Boxes of tree marking paint

Background Information:

The employee had been tree marking and was sent straight to a fire. He forgot about the paint cans until the boxes caught fire and the cans started to explode.

Recommendations:

- Inform ALL employees involved in Fire Suppression of this incident and implement the following recommendations.
- Remove flammable or explosive items from trays of vehicles to be used in Fire Control.
- Maintain regular maintenance of these vehicles.

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