

Safety ALERT



Foot Fractured Caught Between Shifting Risers

Alert 2-19

WHAT HAPPENED:

The deck crew were in the process of placing a joint of high pressure slick line riser into a cargo basket. The cargo basket already had two riser joints in the bottom of the basket. After resting the riser into the container, the injured person (IP) and another crewmember entered the cargo basket to remove the slings. When the IP had finished removing his side of the slings, one of the bottom risers started to roll which caused the top riser to push against the other two below. The IP's foot was between the two risers that were already in the cargo basket before they shifted. The IP sustained a fracture resulting in a recordable incident.



Initial position of risers.



Final position of risers.

LESSONS LEARNED:

- There is always the potential for a load to shift position; tubulars are known to shift position and roll.
- Personnel should avoid entering a basket or climbing on equipment, which can cause a load to shift.
- Entering baskets should be a last resort and entering should be risk assessed for the potential of a shifted load.