

Safety Alert (SA-26_03): Technician Sustains Head Laceration in Base Tower

Incident Description

- A technician sustained a laceration to the top of their head while performing down-torquing activities on the base tower
- The Injured Person (IP) removed their hard hat momentarily to adjust their thermal beanie or balaclava
- As the IP stood back up to replace the hard hat, they struck their head against an upright structural leg of the tower

How it Happened

- The hard hat was removed while the IP was in a hazardous zone within the turbine
- There was a lack of situational awareness, which contributed to the injury

Key Learnings

- Hard hats must always remain on while inside base towers
- A mandatory “look up before moving” pause and peer-check will now be implemented before entry
- Known strike points will be clearly marked and, where applicable, protected