

Worker's Serious Head Injury Results in OHS Charges Against Shipbuilder



At a shipyard, a wire-rope loop attached to a ship's cradle broke as it was being pulled by a winch, striking a worker in the head. He suffered a fractured skull and brain injury. As a result, the shipbuilder is facing four OHS charges, including, among other things, that it failed to ensure that the operator of a machine or tool was competent and to take every reasonable precaution to ensure the health and safety of people at or near the workplace [*Irving Shipbuilding*, Aug. 26, 2015].