

Company Owner Fined \$4,000 for Contacting Overhead Power Lines



While operating a mobile crane and hoisting apparatus, the owner of a company failed to recognize the hazards of operating the equipment near overhead energized transmission lines. As a result, he contacted a 69,000-volt line, leading to electric shock and burns to an employee. The owner pleaded guilty, as a worker, to failing to respect mandatory minimum distances from an energized electrical utility line and was fined \$4,000 [*David Young*, Govt. News Release, Feb. 11, 2015].