

Guarding Violation Costs Manufacturer \$50,000



Paper threaded onto drying drums came apart. It had to be removed from the drums before the process could continue. One worker saw some paper near a pulley, which was on the other side of a guard. He removed the guard and reached for the paper. As he did so, a telescoping fiberglass pole that was part of his equipment got caught in the pulley and struck him, causing lacerations to the throat and armpit. The manufacturer pleaded guilty to a guarding violation. The court fined it \$50,000 [*Strathcona Paper GP Inc.*, Govt. News Release, Dec. 17, 2013].