

More Fines Imposed in Crane Rescue Incident



A fire at a construction project led to the rescue of a crane operator by military helicopter. The MOL's investigation found that insufficient standpipe'an assembly of pipes and fittings that conveys water to outlets'had been installed at the project. A standpipe is required to mitigate against potential harm from fire. The company building the project pleaded guilty as a constructor to violating the standpipe requirements and was fined \$60,000. The company's owners pleaded guilty for failing to provide all necessary means in their power to facilitate an investigation by an inspector. The court fined one \$7,500 and the other \$4,000. A supervisor pleaded guilty to the same charge and was fined \$2,500 [Jay Patry Enterprises Inc., Jay and Nathan Patry and Troy Stelmach, Govt. News Release, May 19, 2015].