Roof Manufacturer Fined \$60,000 for Guarding Violation



At a roof manufacturer's facility, a worker was investigating a problem on one of the production lines for asphalt shingles. When he put a gloved hand on a sheet of asphalt that was being processed, it was pulled into a roller and exposed to a pot of tar. He suffered third degree burns. The manufacturer was fined \$60,000 after pleading guilty to failing to ensure that the line's rollers were equipped with a guard or other device to prevent access to the pinchpoint [IKO Industries Ltd., Govt. News Release, Jan. 11, 2013].