



FEDERATED RURAL ELECTRIC
INSURANCE EXCHANGE

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Dear Safety Professional:

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Federated's Near-Miss Program is designed to identify and communicate incidents and hazards experienced by cooperatives nationwide. The data collected can be used by your system to develop training programs designed to eliminate future accidents. This report is provided to you as a training tool to review with employees in an effort to eliminate future incidents.

Corrective Action is the action taken by the group reporting the incident.

Possible Corrective Action is provided as another possible action that could be taken based on the limited information available.

Task Performed

Report #1

OHD Construction/Maintenance

Incident Summary

The employee was in the process of terminating a new service on an energized pole mount transformer. While tightening the conductor in the multi-bars, the wrench the employee was using slipped. When the wrench slipped out of the employee's hands it made contact with the loop ground causing an arc.

Safety Equipment in Use - Yes

Job Briefing Conducted - Yes

Corrective Action Taken

De-energize the equipment when it is possible.

Utilize insulated tools when an application calls for it.

Possible Corrective Action

When energized work is performed, ensure all differences of potential are covered and a designated observer is in place.

Task Performed**Report #2**

Substation Work

Incident Summary

After changing out a bad regulator in the substation, the lid blew off the regulator.

Safety Equipment in Use - No**Job Briefing Conducted - Yes****Corrective Action Taken**

Zero all regulators in the substation before transferring load. We will now meg test regulators before leaving the yard.

Possible Corrective Action

Follow manufacturer's instructions when installing or removing voltage regulators. Inspect all equipment prior to installing or removing to confirm the equipment meets voltage, insulation, and current requirements.

Task Performed**Report #3**

Office/Facility Incident

Incident Summary

Employee was carrying a small box and mail but was unaware that another employee had been in their office with a stool to work on a light that was blown. The employee didn't see the stool and hooked it with their foot, sending them to the floor landing on their left knee and right hand.

Safety Equipment in Use - No**Job Briefing Conducted - No****Corrective Action Taken**

N/A

Possible Corrective Action

Recommend refresher training to all employees to confirm understanding of proper lifting and carrying techniques.
