

Rapid Incident Notification

Caught in Between

Briarwood Drive - North Tonawanda, NY

NYW Electrical Operations

Note: It is currently unclear as to the exact cause of the incident and without prejudice to the ongoing investigation, this notice serves as a general reminder to all employees of some actions to take.

Description:

- On the afternoon of May 21st, 2024 an Overhead Line Crew was tasked with placing a pad mount transformer in a new underground residential development.
- Crew makeup consisted of a Crew Leader, Line Mechanic C and two Apprentices
- Crew successfully lowered transformer onto fiberglass pad with the material handler of the bucket truck utilizing the lower controls.
- Employee was standing on the rear step of the bumper operating the bucket when he inadvertently moved the bucket pinching himself at his upper torso between the bucket and the controls.
- All work was deenergized.
- Employee was transported to hospital for evaluation.
- Incident Analysis (IA) will follow.

Reminders:

- Maintain situational awareness.
- Understand equipment operation.
- Understand hazards associated with equipment.

Controls:

- All PPE used.

Supporting Photos:



Upper body caught between bucket and lower controls.