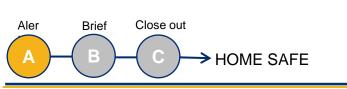
SHE ALERT Contractor Reportable Injury -Crushed Hand





Date of incident	06/12/2023		Directorate	Customer Services	
Region	Large Connections	Location	Horton Heath, Southampton	Classification	Contract Partner RIDDOR

What happened ?

Our Framework Partner's cable gang attended a site to pull approx. 150m of HV cable. During the task, the Gang Supervisor accepted an offer to utilise the site's excavator rather than use the cable winch. During this unapproved practice, the sling caught in the excavator's lower hitch which led to the Supervisor attempting to unsnag the sling. In doing so the IP's hand was left within the line of fire so that when the excavator driver closed the hitch, the IP's hand was crushed between the hitch claws. The IP was administered pain relief by paramedics and taken to hospital where it was confirmed they had fractured four bones in their hand and underwent successful surgery that same day.

Initial points to consider when carrying out activities -

• Work to your established Safe Systems of Work and if it's not safe, use your safety licence to stop.

- Select appropriate plant and equipment that is correct for the task
- Keep yourself and others out of the line of fire





