

BEST PRACTICE

LOCATION: Transport

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ACTIVITY: Transport

COMPANY: CEMEX UK Materials

SUB ACTIVITY: On-highway

COMPANY LOCATION: Raynes Quarry, North Wales

BEST PRACTICE No: BP10

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TITLE

Improvements to sheeting bay platform

ARTICLE

The following improvements have been to the sheeting bay platform at Raynes Quarry, reducing the chances of accidents for drivers using the facility:

- the platform was fully enclosed by guardrails of a minimum 1100mm height on all sides to reduce the risk of the driver falling between the platform and the side of the vehicle
- the platform was widened to provide increased working room
- the space between the guardrails and the platform was enclosed with a heavy mesh material to prevent drivers climbing upon the guardrail or going underneath the rail
- any changes in level on the platform were navigated by ramp rather than steps to reduce the risk of tripping whilst pulling on the sheeting rope
- leverage aids have been installed on the platform in order to reduce the effort required to pull on the sheeting rope. As a consequence, the sheets are pulled up and over (as opposed to through) the load, reducing the manual handling effort and the potential hazard of a rope snapping under tension
- all light timers have been checked to ensure the area is lit during hours of darkness.

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