**BEST PRACTICE** 

LOCATION: Asphalt/Coating plant **ARTICLE YEAR** 

Maintenance & **ACTIVITY:** The Hogan Group **COMPANY:** Housekeeping Hogan asphalt plant Asphalt & coated stone **SUB ACTIVITY:** 

**BEST PRACTICE No: BP2201** 

**COUNTRY OF ORIGIN:** 

**COMPANY** 

LOCATION: BangorGroup

2024

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## TITLE

Self-locking skip track safety hook: Enhancing asphalt plant safety and efficiency. - Topic 2 - WINNER Eurobitume Award

## **ARTICLE**

## **WINNER - EUROBITUME AWARD**

This entry was winner of the Eurobitume Award and a finalist in Safer Maintenance and Housekeeping.

Hogan's asphalt plant in Bangor underwent a significant safety enhancement with the implementation of a selflocking hook system for the skip track. Prior to the enhancement, the process involved raising the skip track using the loading shovel bucket, with a worker manually hooking the chain onto the track. This method posed several hazards, including precarious positioning for the worker and reliance on a single securing point.

The safety concerns were compounded by the discomfort experienced by our asphalt plant operatives during cleaning tasks. Dusty, awkward, and potentially hazardous conditions made this essential daily maintenance task challenging.

Please view video to see the solution applied.

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