Health & Safety Performance:
the British Quarrying Industry Perspective

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HSE reportable injuries (Direct Employees)

10 year view
All activities

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Hard Target Progress: All Activities 2004-8 (Q2)
HSE reportable injuries (Total Workforce)

Our target is Zero Injuries
Each green bar shows the H&S performance of a QPA Member company.

A further 46 member companies reported
Zero incidents in the 12 months to 30 June ‘08

At the behest of QPA Council, all company name tags are shown to all Member companies and relevant QPA committees

Significant peer pressure is the result

Accident Incidence Rates
All Activities
Direct employees by Company 12 months to 30th June 2008

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ACCIDENT INCIDENCE RATE (AIR) =
(HSE Reportable Injuries × 100,000) ÷ No. of Direct Employees

46 QPA Member companies (with operations in GB) not listed, have returned Zero incidents in the period
Figures in brackets = No. Direct Employees (06/08)

Hard Target AIR using 2008 employee numbers

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….. an example of the User having to remedy inadequate design …..

“Eliminating confined space entry”
Challenges for the “Atlantic Alliance” . . . .

to consolidate our Industry’s message that:

• Quarry operating companies employ many resourceful and innovative people. But the industry should not have to rely on its own people to apply remedies.

• There is no excuse for perpetuating known hazards in the face of known solutions.

• In short, there is no substitute for safe design

Thank you!