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Strategic Safety Systems Ltd. Newsletter

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Dear Philip,

Welcome to the first May edition of our newsletter. What we aim to do is to provide information which is of use to you and to let you know the activities in which we have been involved. We also aim to let you know of any incidents that have occurred in, and legislation that is related to, the areas in which we work. We realise that, with the broad spectrum of our activities, some may not be relevant to you but we hope you find the rest useful.

Whilst the intention of this newsletter is to be useful, we realise that most people are plagued by spam and should you wish to prevent future issues being sent to you, unsubscribe using the link at the bottom of the page.

Regards,

Philip Chambers
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2 H&S bills announced in Queen's Speech

In the Queen's Speech last week, there were two bills which affect health and safety:

Mesothelioma Bill

This bill is designed to help people who suffer from Mesothelioma as a result of exposure to asbestos. It establishes a payment scheme for those people who cannot trace their employer or their employer's insurance company, where the employer was responsible for the asbestos exposure. Anyone diagnosed with mesothelioma from 25 July 2012 will be able to make a claim. The bill will be funded by a levy on insurance companies, and it will apply to the whole of the UK.

Draft Deregulation Bill

This draft bill lays out how the government intends to reduce the amount of regulation with which businesses, individuals and public bodies have to comply. Measures include exempting from health-and-safety legislation people who are self-employed and whose work poses no risk of harm to other people.

SSS provide business improvement systems for two Gloucestershire companies

SSS have recently provided systems to help two local companies improve their business.

The first system helps Boiswood LLP provide quotations for their range of liquid and gas control products. This simplifies the steps required to produce a quotation, resulting not only in a reduced workload but a reduction in the potential for transcription errors.

The second system is with the Tewkesbury Mustard Company to help them record and track production.

[See more about SSS Business Improvement Services](#)

Incidents and court cases

Rittal fined £15,000 after maintenance worker loses 2 fingers

An employee of a steel cabinet making company lost 2 fingers after a guard was removed for cleaning. No risk assessment had been carried out for maintenance procedures and there was no suitable way to isolate the machinery when maintenance was carried out.

[See details](#)

Leg broken in several places by forklift truck

An employee was in an aisle in the warehouse taking tickets off pallets that were filled with paper goods when a colleague using a forklift truck to stack the pallets on the right hand side of the same aisle, reversed and backed into the him, crushing him between the truck and the pallet. Swan Mill Paper Company were fined £8,000 (inc. costs).

[See details](#)

Part of leg may need to be amputated following crush by 1.5 tonnes of tin plates

An employee suffered serious injuries when a 1.5 tonne pallet of tin plates fell onto his right lower leg and foot when he was employed by Emballator UK Ltd. The plates slipped which being turned in an old pallet turner.

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Daily updates

Don't forget, there's lots of useful information that is highlighted typically daily on the SSS Twitter and Blog sites.

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Regards,

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