



## **Summary of HSC/HSE News Bulletin Releases** **26<sup>th</sup> September to 26<sup>th</sup> October 2005**

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- 26/09/05** Construction Industry's Working Well Together 2005 Roadshow and lead by the Chief Inspector of Construction was held at Bovis Lend Lease site 123 Bankside SE1.
- 29/09/05** HSE publishes "**Hand-arm vibration: Control of Vibration at Work Regulations 2005**" A comprehensive Guide L140 ISBN 0-7176-6125-3 £13-95 from HSE Books. The HSE with EEF, the manufacturers' association are running a series of Roadshows – London 3/11/05
- 30/09/05** HSE has granted Magnox Electric Ltd consent for a decommissioning project at the Company's Chapelcross nuclear power station in Dumfries, Scotland. The report can be downloaded on HSE website at [www.hse.gov.uk/nuclear/nuc24.pdf](http://www.hse.gov.uk/nuclear/nuc24.pdf)
- 03/10/05** HSE and the Local Authorities Coordinators of Regulatory Services jointly launched the "**Large Organisation Project Pilot**" The project will develop closer units for Health & Safety.
- 06/10/05** HSE publishes updated guidance "**Giving you own firework display: How to run and fire it safely**" HSG124 ISBN 0-7176-6162-8 price £7-95 from HSE Books.
- 06/10/05** HSE announces that it is content for the Sizewell B nuclear power station to operate up to a further ten years, subject to continued satisfactory performance.
- 07/10/05** HSE issues a warning to the Construction Industry about possible dangers when using both Mobile Working Platforms and Telehandlers. Two specific risks are highlighted.
- 12/10/05** Changes to the **Genetically Modified Organisms Regulations Regulations** came into force recently. Refer to HSE website at <http://www.hse.gov.uk/biosafety/gmo/guidance/amendingregs.pdf>
- 13/10/05** HSE launch "**Ladders Week – 14 to 18 November 2005**". Each local HSE Office will organise its own programme of events. Free guides will be issued. Also please refer to website <http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg401.pdf>
- 14/10/05** Channel Tunnel Safety Authority publishes "**Channel Tunnel Safety Authority Annual Report 2004 – 2005**" Available from the Channel Tunnel Safety Authority, UK Secretariat, Rose Court, 2 Southwark Bridge, London, SE1 9HS Tel: 020 7717 6145 Fax 020 7717 6969
- 17/10/05** HSE Director of Rail Safety announced that a decision whether to prosecute as a result of the Potters Bar train derailment will be made after the Coroner's inquest is held.



- 18/10/05** HSE is asking Construction Companies to take part in a pilot project “Occupational Health Management Model which provides advice on how to manage issues such as manual handling, hand-arm vibration, noise induced hearing loss and dermatitis.
- 18/10/05** Lord Hunt of Kings Heath addresses a conference of key members from European business, trade unions and the European Commission on tackling Occupational Ill Health. This is part of a two-day UK Presidency Event.
- 20/10/05** HSE publishes its **Sixth Annual Offences and Penalties Report 2004/5** It can only be accessed on the website: [www.hse.gov.uk/enforce/off0405/index.htm](http://www.hse.gov.uk/enforce/off0405/index.htm)
- 20/10/05** HSE successfully prosecuted Transco plc at Manchester Crown Court following a gas explosion at a five storey residential building at Cavendish Mill, Ashton-under-Lyne in Greater Manchester on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2001 in which a resident was seriously injured and died later. The firm were fined £1,000,000 and ordered to pay costs of £134,000.
- 24/10/05** HSE launches 2004/05 Pesticide Incidents Report. This can be viewed on HSE’s agriculture website a [www.hse.gov.uk/agriculture/information.htm](http://www.hse.gov.uk/agriculture/information.htm) Investigations involved 150 pesticide related incidents, a reduction on last year’s total of 204.
- 24/10/05** HSE publishes three new Guides to improve Ladder Safety: (1) “**Safe use of ladders and stepladders**” – **an employers’ guide** See HSE website - <http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg402.pdf>  
(2) “**A toolbox talk on leaning ladder and stepladder safety**” – **for employers giving refresher training to ladder users** See HSE website - <http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg403.pdf>  
(3) “**Top tips for ladder and stepladder safety**” - **a pocket card for workers giving key messages on ladder use.** See HSE website – <http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg405.pdf>
- 25/10/05** HSE publishes a new edition of guidance for Food Manufacturing Industries “**A recipe for safety: Occupational health and safety in food and drink manufacture**” HSG252 ; ISBN 0-7176-6115-6 price £9-95 from HSE Books.
- 26/10/05** HSC Hosts A Public Debate On Crowding, Vandalism and Trespass on the Mainline and Underground Railways on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2005 at its London Headquarters Rose Court, 2 Southwark Bridge, London, SE1 9HS. The event is free and starts at 6.30pm. Registration contact Sandra Walters 020 7717 6939 or e mail [sandra.walters@hse.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:sandra.walters@hse.gsi.gov.uk)
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