**Description of incident *(No company names or site locations)***

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| Fractured heel while retrieving a personal item out of the cab of a 100-ton crane.  As the Crane Operator reversed his steps to climb out of the cab, the operator transferred a personal item from his right hand into his right pocket, diverting his attention from proper foot placement.  As the Crane Operator stepped off the crane ledge and onto the platform in wet weather conditions, they placed their right foot too close to the edge of an area without slip-resistant grip tape and fell straight down.  The momentum of the fall caused the operator's hand to slip/release from the handrail. The Employee fell approximately 5’ to grade, where they landed on the heel of their right foot. The impact from the fall resulted in a fracture to the right heel. |

**Contributing Factors/Cause(s) *(if any)***

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| **CF1**. Human error (complacency) – Loss of focus on the immediate task to place foot squarely on the platform.  **CF2**. They did not recognize the slip hazard on the platform where the slip-resistant grip tape had deteriorated.  **CF3.** Inattention to safety training: Re-apply grip tape on slippery surfaces as needed; Safe entry/exit in/out of the crane cab; Slips, trips, and falls. |

**Root Cause(s)**

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| **RC1.** The Operator did not recognize the slippery surface hazard. *The employee fell approximately 5’ from the crane platform to grade, resulting in a fracture on the heel of his right foot.* |

**Other Potential Causes *(if any)***

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| 1. Deteriorated/missing slip-resistant tape was not identified on daily inspection |

**Corrective Actions or Recurrence Controls**

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| **1**. Conduct a safety stand down with all Crane Operators, Riggers, etc. such that the crane is positioned at a 45-degree angle over the right outrigger to increase the area of the walking surface on the platform whenever possible.  **2**. Increase focus on complacency. Publish an alert of this incident to increase awareness of focusing on one task at a time, proper foot placement, and attention to detail.  **3**. Modify the Mobile Crane Shift Inspection Form to include slip-resistant surfaces.  **4.** Conduct an audit to inspect all cranes in the fleet to ensure slip protection is adequate and make modifications as needed. |

**Lessons Learned**

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| None Listed |

**Photos or Sketches**

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| **None Provided** |