

## **Safety Tip of the Week**

## Lockout, Tagout, and Try Out

When you operate, clean, service, adjust, or repair machinery and powered equipment, be aware of the hazards that could expose you to danger, danger that can be prevented through lockout/tagout/tryout procedures.

**REMEMBER**, before working on or near any energized equipment, you should perform an inspection of the work area to identify any energy sources.

**ALWAYS** consider each step of the process, to ensure your equipment will not be activated unexpectedly. Identify your energy sources and follow appropriate lockout/tagout/ tryout procedures.



**NEVER** touch or operate power-activated equipment unless you have been trained or assigned the authorization to do so.

**NEVER** touch anything that is locked or tagged, unless you are the one responsible for performing work on this equipment and have followed the steps to disconnect the power.

Failure to perform lockout or tagout on powered sources on equipment can result in electrocutions, amputations, and other serious, even fatal incidents.

Locking, tagging, and trying out is required whenever an employee is to remove or bypass a guard or safety device or when an employee places a part of his body into an area that would be a danger zone during a machine operation cycle.

**REMEMBER** Lockout-tagout-tryout is a three-part procedure designed to protect you from accidental or unexpected start-up of equipment.

WHEN IN DOUBT, LOCK IT OUT, TAG IT OUT, AND TRY IT OUT!