



AEA SAFETY COMMITTEE

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Stop. Think. Verify. Every Step Matters

Human Performance and Error Prevention focuses on reducing mistakes by recognizing that distractions, fatigue, and complacency can affect anyone. Leading indicators such as pre-job briefs, peer checks, and near-miss reporting help identify risks early. Taking a moment to think before acting and verifying critical steps helps keep employees, equipment, and operations safe.



Additional Resources:

[OSHA Leading Indicators](#)

[National Safety Council \(NSC\) Human Organizational](#)

International Shake Out Day

October 15th at 10:15 AM!

join millions of people across the world practicing
Earthquake Safety!



REGISTER
HERE

GET READY TO SHAKE OUT

Additional Resource:

[New Jersey Office of Emergency Management
Earthquake.pdf](#)

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)

Fire Prevention Week™

October 4–10, 2026.

“Charge Into Fire Safety™

**Safe Charging Is a
Superpower”**

[NFPA Resources and Tool Kit](#)

[OSHA Fire Safety Fact Sheet](#)



October Incident Discussion

An operator entered the blower building to investigate an unusual vibration on one of the aeration blowers. Believing the task would only take a few minutes, the employee entered without hearing protection. While inspecting the equipment, a pressure relief valve activated unexpectedly, creating an intense burst of noise. The employee experienced immediate ringing in their ears and was unable to clearly hear a coworker calling out a warning from nearby.

[OSHA Occupational Noise Exposure](#)

[OSHA Near Miss Incident Template](#)



[CDC Noise and Hearing Loss Protection](#)

[OSHA Severe Injury Reporting](#)

If you have any safety or risk management issues the AEA Safety Committee is here to help!

Need answers or resources email JKessler@acua.com or Karen@aeanj.org

Our committee meets quarterly if you would like to join us!

Our next scheduled Zoom meeting is Friday, October 16th at 10:00 am

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