

HATFIELD HOTLINE

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OUR FUTURE IN OUR HANDS

We have just endured another month where we have been unable to produce at the levels which will allow our business to survive. We cannot continue at this rate for much longer and, therefore, have to provide the answers on F122's.

The conveyors must be kept running, the machine must be kept running and the powered supports will continue to receive priority repairs.

These and the installation of a second face machine will enable the unit to provide at least two strips per shift to sustain the weeks required to get 105's ready. We need the security of having two coaling units to reduce or eliminate the risk.

We still have customers who want our coal. We have got to produce enough to supply all their requirements very quickly otherwise we risk losing them. F122's is capable of better, it won't be easy, it is improving, but we must stick at it.

F105's installation has



commenced. Both we and the contractors have got together to produce an installation programme which will shorten the original planned installation time.

We must have the help and co-operation of everyone in the system to cut this installation time in half and we must all make every effort to achieve this.

We have been planning to put a second machine on 105's from the outset so that we can negotiate the

fault graded area separately. After the initial 100 metres, 105's will be our production restorer for the financial year because we have planned to work it out before next March and replace it with F111's. F122's will be replaced by F124's.

F110's salvage cutting is complete with the next stage being the removal of the machines allowing us to work F110's extension from both ends and dint F110's tail gate.

This is our most important medium term project to give high speed locomotive access and an improved materials system into 56's area.

On the brighter side, the north west main roadways have thurled again so two Dosco MKIII's can "see" one another for only the second time in ten years and we are still in business - let's get some more coal out and stay that way!

Jeff Ainley,
colliery manager.



HATFIELD COLLIERY

Hatfield Colliery is committed to providing all of its customers with products which are suitable for their agreed purpose, in order to maintain our place as the Home of Quality, now and in the future. We shall achieve this by the implementation and maintenance of an effective Quality Management System which conforms to the requirements of BS5750/ISO9000.

To further this policy we shall:-

- Ensure customer satisfaction through the provision of suitable products of the right quality and quantity at the right time.
- Reduce quality complaints to zero.
- Improve quality consistency to the highest practicable level.

Quality must be considered by everybody at all times.

Our aim is to get quality right first time, on time and every time.

22nd April 1993

J. AINLEY,
COLLIERY MANAGER

ACCIDENT NUMBERS INCREASING

Accidents at the colliery are increasing, which as the graph shows, has reversed our downward trend.

Since February of this year, through our efforts and vigilance, we have reduced accidents from 30 in one week to five, with our best week recording only two accidents.

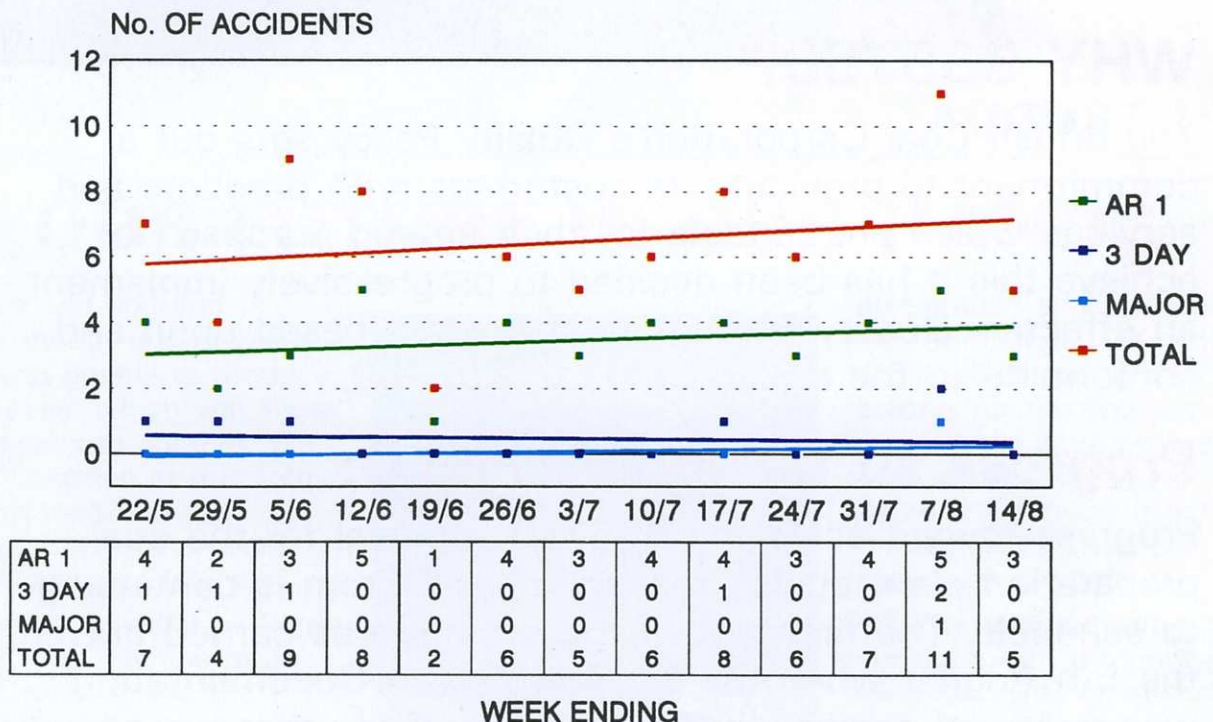
In recent weeks though it appears we have become complacent regarding the dangers associated with our workplace and adopted the 'it won't happen to me' attitude. During the week ending 7th August a total of 11 accidents were reported including three plus three day accidents and one major, our first since January.

We cannot let this upward trend continue. It is the responsibility of every individual to ensure that his workplace is safe, not only for himself but his colleagues. We must strictly adhere to rules which specify safe working practice - method statements and manager's support rules.

Let's approach the task we perform with a common sense attitude. Avoid risks, don't cut corners sacrificing safety for speed, and always use the correct equipment.

Lol Hilton,
safety engineer

ACCIDENT TRENDS



DISTURBANCE OF ACCIDENT SITES

Where an accident occurs causing death or major injury, or there has been a dangerous occurrence, the site shall remain undisturbed until a thorough investigation has taken place.

Before the site is disturbed, it when be visited by a surveyor and a site observer who will take measurements in order that a plan is made showing the nature and position of equipment relative to the accident. It is essential that all equipment is kept as it was immediately after the accident.

The site shall also remain undisturbed until the person appointed for the mine under Section 123 of the M&Q Act 1954 has visited the site and carried out his investigation.

The only occasion where the site of an accident or dangerous occurrence may be disturbed is when it is to secure the safety of any person or the mine with the manager being informed immediately of the situation.

Lol Hilton,
safety engineer.

QUALITY ASSURANCE

WHAT IS BS5750?

BS5750/ISO9000 is an internationally recognised standard which set out guidelines for Quality Management Systems.

WHY BS5750?

The British Coal Corporation's Quality Policy sets out a commitment to providing its customers with products and services which are suitable for their agreed purpose. To achieve this it has been decided to progressively implement an effective Quality Management System based upon and conforming to the requirements of BS5750.

Progress so far at HATFIELD:

Progress toward achieving BS5750 approval for the coal preparation plant quality management system is continuing to schedule. The first test of the system was carried out on the 5th August when the Quality System Documentation was reviewed against the standard to check that we comply with all its requirements. The full assessment shall then follow in December when Lloyds Register Quality Assurance (L.R.Q.A.) shall spend three days checking that we do work to our documented procedures.

To ensure that our progress towards achieving approval to BS5750 it is expected that all those personel involved with BS5750 shall give their fullest support and effort to demonstrate that Hatfield Colliery is the HOME OF QUALITY now and in the future.

A. Weatherley,
BS5750 implementation officer.