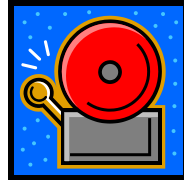




# SAFETY ALERT



## ARTC NSW No. 1

### **INCIDENT**

*An employee had his foot crushed while using a “Pin-pulling” machine. The employee had used his foot to position the base plate of the “pin-pulling” machine. When the machine was activated, the employees foot became jammed under the base plate – crushing the front part of his foot. The steel capping of the employees safety boots saved the foot from extensive damage.*

### **WHEN/WHERE**

*The incident occurred on the 21/9/04 in the North West (Tamworth region).*

### **ACTIONS TAKEN**

*Incident has been fully investigated; a report has been generated and distributed. Representative of the manufacturer of the machine (Melville Engineering) visited work-site and has inspected the machines. A Pin/Dog Puller - Operational and Safety Briefing Checklist, has been developed and distributed.*

### **FOLLOW-UP ACTION**

- *All employees to be advised of this incident*
- *All employees, who operate a “pin-pulling machine”, to have the Pin/Dog Puller – Operational and Safety Briefing Checklist (OSB1), explained to them.*
- *Prior to using a “pin-pulling machine”, a Take Five risk assessment to be conducted. The operating of the “pin-pulling machine” to be included on the daily pre-work brief (when being used).*
- *Operating instructions (operators manual) to be made available on-site with the “pin-pulling machines”*