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Intended for: Directors OND, OSD, GD, UID, XD, UWD and Contract holders

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Subject: Requirement for a Lifting Equipment Controller (LEC)*.

Introduction:

Incidents are happening regularly with small lifting equipment, such as slings, lever hoists, etc. because of lack of care/maintenance. The root cause for these incidents is lack of single point of responsibility of the equipments and associated tools. The tools are used on a daily basis by technicians to carry out their duties and if they are not looked after, they may pose a hazard. To reduce this hazard, it is required to formally appoint a competent Lifting Equipment Controller (LEC) as stated in procedure PR-1708 PI.

During the worksite level 1 & 2 audits, it was noted that at many locations PDO and Contractors do not have a LEC appointed, nor there was a good understanding of the requirement itself. Hence, this note aims to recapitulate the requirement. You will be requested shortly to confirm to have such a person appointed in place.

Requirements for a Lifting Equipment Controller (LEC):

1. To be formally appointed by the Maintenance Coordinator or Site Manager in order to control the lifting equipment at the relevant location.
2. **Roles and Responsibilities:**
 - Control lifting equipment at relevant location.
 - Ensure that lifting equipment identification is maintained.
 - Maintain lifting equipment records and advise of any non-conformity.
 - Monitor the condition of lifting equipment at the relevant location.
 - Coordinate and organise inspection/testing and certification work.
 - Liaise with PDO's lifting engineers.
3. **Authority:** The appointed LEC should be able to reject and destroy lifting equipment that pose a safety hazard.

Training and Competency Requirements:

The appointed LEC must:

1. Be at least 21 years of age.
2. Have a minimum of 3 years experience in an Engineering discipline in the Oil and Gas industry.
3. Be familiar with maintenance requirements on all types of lifting accessories.
4. Be familiar with PDO requirement for lifting inspection and certification.
5. Have passed LEC course.

Note: * CAP (Competent Authorised Person) training no more exists, it has been replaced by Lifting Equipment Controller (LEC).

Regards,
UEQ3 team