



Safety Alert

Overtaken Dumper

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The following pages of this safety alert were issued by Highways England's supply chain partner:

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INTERNAL SAFETY ALERT

Eurovia Contracting North – Dumper Overturned

DATE	23 April 2021
TIME	11:30hrs
LOCATION	Holdingham Roundabout, Sleaford
DIVISION	Contracting North

A Supply Chain Partner was carrying out drainage installation works along the A17 East, West Bound approach verge. As part of these works, spoil was being excavated and loaded into a Wacker Neuson DV60 Dual View 6 tonne dumper. The spoil was then transported from the exaction area to a stockpile on site.

The driver had decided to reverse up the stockpile, facing backwards in the incorrect manner. The driver misjudged their position, driving the dumper off the side embankment of the stockpile resulting in the dumper rolling onto its side. The driver exited the cab of the dumper shaken up, but with no apparent serious injuries.

Emergency services were called to the site. The dumper was pushed back to the upright position to prevent any diesel spill from occurring.

D&A testing was called, and all 3 members of the team were tested. The driver was found to have alcohol in their system above the legal limit and was removed from site and taken home by his work colleague.

A full investigation into the immediate and root causes of the incident is underway.

Immediate actions to take:

- Dumper driver induction, competency and previous experience drivers checks to be carried out for all dumper drivers.
- Check and review method statements on plant movements, haul routes to and from stockpiles.
- TBT to be carried out on operating dumper procedures, highlighting seatbelts to be worn when operating dumper/seat belt indicator beacons to be fitted.



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