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Update re. Fatal Accident at City Water Treatment Plant

Deceased Victim: Homero Levario Juarez, H/M, 10/04/1960, of 524 Pennfield Avenue, Lehigh, FL

Investigators have determined that Juarez was inside the basket of a scissor lift that had been extended to about 30 feet off the ground and was operating a pressurized liquid concrete hose. When the hose was charged it caused a recoil at the nozzle Juarez was holding which propelled him backwards and out of the basket.

Juarez fell to the concert floor of the water tank and was pronounced deceased by paramedics who responded to the scene.

Juarez was wearing a safety harness at the time, but the harness was not secured to the basket.

No criminal charges are anticipated in this incident

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Detectives are investigating an accidental death at 7500 26th Avenue North, the City of St. Petersburg water treatment facility.

The 52 year old male victim was sub-contracted by the city to re-surface the inside of a water tank and apparently fell approximately 30 feet in to the tank to his death.

It appears at this time the victim was not wearing a safety harness while cleaning the tank.

The victim worked for Spectrum Contracting out of Naples, Florida. We have not received confirmation that next of kin have been notified as yet, but plan to release the victim’s name once contact has been verified.

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