

At the Chevron Refinery in Pascagoula a non-Jacobs incident occurred when a 240 ton crane turned over backwards with no load.

Apparently the outriggers had been retracted on one side of the crane to get them out of a roadway during the night. When the day operator came in the following morning **he did not do a walk around**, got in crane and swung around in a high boom configuration and turned over backwards. This is a good reminder of the importance of the need to do a walk-around before starting the operation of any crane. Take a couple of minutes to check what might be different before you start work. If we become complacent it can happen to the best of us.

This certainly amplifies how easily human error significantly contributes to an incident and the importance of good, comprehensive and timely communication between shifts/personnel.

