FATAL FACTS

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Fatal Facts

1) In this packet you will find a brief description of an accident involving an Elevator Constructor.
2) The scenario is recreated in part from an OSHA report.
3) The photo is not a part of the OSHA report but is intended to give a visual representation of the location of the accident.
4) Separate the class into groups of 4-8 people. It's recommended that one company representative sits and participates with each group.
5) Write in YOUR Individual Recommendation and Prevention, then you will have a class discussion about the individual recommendations. After the class discussion, you will Research your Company Safety Policy and fill in the Company Recommendations and Preventions followed by a discussion about the company policy and procedure.

6) DO NOT WRITE YOUR NAME ANYWHERE IN THIS BOOKLET

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Fatal Fact #6

Brief Description of Accident: (Per the OSHA Report)

The mechanic and a coworker were installing a new elevator car in an assisted living complex under construction. The coworker was in the elevator car and the mechanic was located between the car and the hoistway wall on the front side of the elevator. A temporary control unit (with an attached 50-ft cable) was hanging from a 6-ft step ladder in the car. According to the coworker, when the car was between the first and second levels of the building structure, it suddenly began to move in an upward direction. The coworker stated that he tried to stop the elevator by depressing the stop button on the temporary control unit. However, the elevator continued to move. When it reached the second level, the coworker exited the elevator car, and ran down a stairway to the first level to shut off the main power disconnect in a control room adjacent to the elevator hoistway. The coworker then found the mechanic dead in the hoistway pit, lying in a prone position.

Not Actual Photo



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Your Recommendations and Preventions:

Research Company Safety Polices related to this incident.

Company Recommendations and Preventions:

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SAFETY COMMITTEE