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## Unimog U400 MEWP Basket Failure.

Below is an item of importance sent to you at the request of the Head of Maintenance Workforce Safety, Network Rail

An incident occurred on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2008, at 1355, at Margaretting. Where 3 people were injured when the basket of a Network Rail Unimog U400 MEWP became detached from the boom. There is the possibility that overloading had occurred in the past and had caused damage to the basket to boom connection. The incident is under investigation by a team including the manufacturer but in the meantime all such machines must have visual inspection of the boom to basket bracket and if there are any signs of damage, including bending or cracking then the machine should not be used until a thorough inspection is carried out by a competent person. Further advice will be given when more information is available following the technical investigation.

A photograph of the machine is provided on the next page.



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