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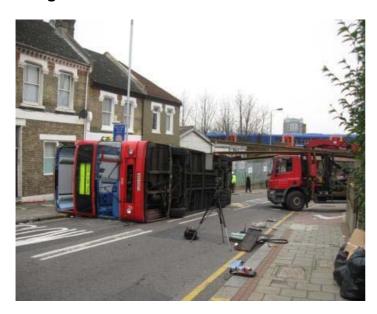
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Infrastructure Group Safety Bulletin

Road Deliveries

This bulletin is for the attention of all employees involved in the planning and implementation of bulky or long item delivery (such as rail) by road.

Background:



On 16th December 2009 there was a serious road traffic accident outside the Clapham Maintenance Depot involving a contractor's lorry carrying rail and a Double Decker bus.

The contractor's lorry was removing lengths of rail from the depot. It was pulling onto Plough Lane, from the depot entrance when the rail it was transporting, which overhung the cab of the lorry, collided with the oncoming bus.

The accident remains subject to investigation by the civil police.

Action to be taken:

- As a precaution, whilst the matter is investigated all deliveries by National Delivery Service contractors involving materials which overhang the vehicle have been suspended with immediate effect. For advice on any affected deliveries please contact Paul Jarvis on 01904 525078
- All employees involved in the movement of materials by road are reminded of Risk Control Sheet NR/L3/MTC/0001/GA036 (Issue 3) – Loading and Unloading Vehicles and in particular of the importance of considering all relevant risks when planning the movement of materials from storage locations to worksites.

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