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Number:	SA0022
Subject:	Product falling off truck during unloading process
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Incident:

A contracted transport vehicle, loaded at the Port of Brisbane, arrived on site for unloading. While unloading the vehicle a pack of steel tube fell (opposite side to loading). Pack weight was approximately 800kg. All personnel were in the designated safety zones



Key Lessons:

- To be aware that the (un)loading procedures include the safe unloading of third party product.

Recommendations:

- Specify in contractual arrangements how product must be loaded at the port – e.g. use trucks with bollard set-up
- Ensure protective bollards are in place before unloading
- Ensure to have an (un)loading procedure in place that ensures a safe area around the trailer. i.e. 'exclusions zones'.

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