

OBJECTIVE

The objective of these recommendations is to minimize exposure of construction workers to pulp mill gases and to address concerns about health effects.

SUMMARY

The recommendations provide a framework to develop programs for training, gas monitoring, reporting and investigating gas releases, and emergency procedures.

Major recommendations are:

1. Select a contractor with a good health and safety program.
2. Appoint a mill and a contractor health and safety coordinator for the job site.
3. Hold pre-job planning meetings to define the scope and responsibility for each area of the program to minimize workers' exposure to pulp mill gases.
4. Evaluate the effectiveness of the program.