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FATAL UTILITY BUCKET TRUCK FIRE SETTLEMENT

Brosz and Associates, International Consulting Engineers, is pleased to announce the conclusion of a matter involving a utility lineman who was fatally burned in a bucket truck fire. The fire occurred in the hydraulics while changing out a broken hydro pole.

An accidental short circuit, involving the 13,800 volt primary, ignited flammable high-pressure hydraulic fluid lines.

The cause, origin and responsibility of this accident were investigated. The industrial accident database at the Institute of Forensic Electro-Pathology was searched, and a number of similar accidents in North America were found.

Issues involving protection of hoses from arcs, susceptibility of hoses to damage, and use of flammable vs. fire resistant hydraulic fluids were addressed.

Brosz and Associates was pleased to assist the plaintiff's law firm to provide necessary forensic engineering expertise in order to achieve a settlement.

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