

Task Hazard Assessment Form

Task Name	Cutting Torch
Department	HVAC
Supervisor	Kyle Brennan
Work Location	Central Steam Plant
Date of Assessment	10.10.2024

Hazard	Description
Physical Hazards (Check all that apply) \Box N/A	Describe any applicable hazards
 □ Electrical Hazards □ Fall from Heights □ Falling Objects □ Flying Particles □ Noise □ Sharp/Abrasive Objects □ Struck by Objects □ Slippery Surfaces □ Sparks/Hot Particles □ Temperature Extremes □ Vehicular Traffic □ Other (Please Describe): IR/UV Radiation 	 > Using the cutting torch can cause flying particles > Cutting torch can generate sparks and hot particles > Cutting torches generate high temperatures, increasing the likelihood of fires or burns > IR/UV radiation from cutting can damage the eyes and/or skin
Chemical Hazards (Check all that apply) N/A Air/Water-Sensitive Substances Flammable Liquids/Vapors Irritants Compressed Gases Corrosive Substances Radioactive Substances Toxic Substances Other (Please Describe):	 Describe any applicable hazards > Oxyacetylene gas is extremely flammable and can cause unintended fires/explosions if used improperly > Cutting materials can generate irritating dust and gases > Cutting torch requires the use of gases under pressure (Acetylene, Oxygen)
Biological Hazards (Check all that apply) \Biological N/A \Biological Sharps \Biological Sharps \Biological and Bodily Fluids \Biological Sharps \Biological Sharps \Biological Sharps \Biological Blood and Bodily Fluids \Biological Sharps \Biological Sharps \Biological Sharps \Biological Blood and Bodily Fluids \Biological Sharps \Biological Sharps \Biological Sharps \Biological Blood and Bodily Fluids \Biological Sharps \Biological Sharps \Biological Sharps \Biological Blood and Bodily Fluids \Biological Sharps \Biological Sharps \Biological Sharps \B	Describe any applicable hazards

Controls Methods	Task-Specific Controls
Engineering Controls - Physical methods that reduce or	List any engineering controls that are required to
prevent workers from coming into contact with hazards	complete this task
	Ensure flashback arrestors are present
Examples (Not Exhaustive)	and in good condition
 Carts/Dollies 	
 Emergency Shut-Offs 	Secure all compressed gas cylinders with a
 Guardrails 	chain
 Hoists 	
 Machine Guards 	Ensure a certified fire extinguisher is in
Pumps	the immediate vicinity
Administrative Controls – Work practices that reduce	List any administrative controls that are required
the duration, frequency, or intensity of exposure to	to complete this task
hazards	Only use the cutting torch if you have been
	trained in safe operation by a competent
Examples (Not Exhaustive)	employee
 Buddy System 	
Communication	Inspect all equipment before use. If parts
 Limiting Access 	are missing or damaged, place out-of-
Rest Breaks	service
 Training 	
	Keep torches, tips, and associated
	equipment clean/clear, to avoid blockages
	> Once connected to gas, check hoses and
	valves for leaks, using soapy water
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	Do not cut in close proximity to
	combustible materials
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) - Equipment	List any personal protective equipment that is
worn to minimize exposure to hazards	required to complete this task
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	Survey Survey
Examples (Not Exhaustive)	
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	> Welding Jacket
Chemical Aprons	
Chemical ApronsCut-Resistant Gloves	> Welding Jacket> Leather gloves
Chemical ApronsCut-Resistant GlovesDust Suits	



Is a follow-up required?	□ Yes	⊠No	
Reason for follow-up			

Task Hazard Assessment Form Completed By

Name: _____Mark Schuman_____

Signature:

Department: _____Environmental Health and Safety______

Date: _10/10/24____