IF YOU MESS UP—FESS UP.

If you know about something that ALMOST happened, tell your supervisor or your safety manager. Reporting a near miss can keep it from happening to the next guy for real. Getting in front of potential accidents is a good way to prevent them. It’s part of being “pro-active.”

There should be no punitive action taken as a result of a near miss report. How many near misses do you think happen in your operation each year? If you just had one a week that would be over 50 near misses. Do you have 50 near miss reports from last year? Do you have a form or process for reporting near misses?

Most operations don’t. How about starting today with reporting those incidents that ALMOST got somebody hurt?

If we don’t know it’s broken, we can’t fix it.