## **CRITICAL CONTROLS ENGAGEMENT- EXCAVATIONS**

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Distribution	Contractor Representative Project Safety Coordinator							
Safety Retention Binder								
Interview worker(s) to ask the following Open Questions & rank responses.  See second page for samples of the desired responses.  1 = Meets Expectations 0.5 = Meets Some Expectations (use sparingly)				ets Expectations ets Some ions (use	RESPONSE RANKING			
1. Can you show me the JSA/FLHA where the energy/hazards for excavations are discussed?								
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Can you show me the dominant hazards associated with in and around an excavation?								
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3. Describe the	most likely and or severe injury to occur	while performing work in a	or around an e	excavation?				
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4. Explain what	to look for when you inspect/evaluate	the excavation prior to enti	ry?					
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VERIFICATION COMMENT								
6. Describe the m	nethods used to prevent the walls of the	excavation from falling-in?	>					
VERIFICATION COMMENT								
7. Explain the method of communication between the equipment operator and workers in the excavation while								
excavating, along with where to stand in order to stay out of crush points?  VERIFICATION COMMENTS:								
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else on this job?  VERIFICATION COMMENTS:								
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Assessment Summary Ranking = Response Ranking Total () Number of Applicable Questions ()  X 100								
Supervisor Improvement Action Plan								
Supervisor informed of any improvement opportunities and agreement established to address improvements.								
Supervisor name: Signature: Date:				Date:				
Assessment follow-up date:								
Additional Comments, Commendations or Items of Concern								

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## **Desired Responses to Interview Questions**

1. Can you show me the JSA/FLHA where the energy/hazards for excavations are discussed?

Listen for: Clear and full understanding of the task being performed; level of risk tolerance the worker(s) have with the task and level of controls being used; excavation/confined space pre-job meetings; area control to restrict access to imminent danger zone and communicate hazards of entering excavation area; other?

2. Can you show me the dominant hazards associated with in and around an excavation?

Listen and look for: Falls into the excavation; unstable soil causing the excavation walls to collapse; water level; crush points between operating equipment and excavation wall or material/equipment; gathering point for heavier than air toxic/flammable/inert gases and vapors; other?

3. Describe the most likely and or severe injury to occur while performing work in or around an excavation?

Listen for: Head injury, fractured limbs/back/neck, separation/dislocation of joints, due to falls; suffocation due to entrapment of soil; drowning; head injury, fractured limbs/back/neck, separation/dislocation of joints, internal organ damage due to crushing; poisoning/asphyxiation or due to gases or vapours; other?

4. Explain what to look for when you inspect/evaluate the excavation prior to entry?

Listen for: Qualified/competent worker determining soil types for sloping/shoring requirements; adequate access/egress points; water level and control; spoil pile placement; gas testing and monitoring requirements; other?

5. Can you show me access and egress locations needed for entry into the excavation? How do you keep unauthorized personnel for entering the excavation?

Listen and look for: Minimum of two entrances/exits for excavations over 1.2 m (4 ft) in depth; exit on each side of a pipe workers are on; maximum of 8 m (25 ft) laterally to an exit or less if required by local legislation; use of secured ladders/stairs or cut-in ramps/stairs; other?

6. Describe the methods used to prevent the walls of the excavation from falling-in?

Listen and look for: Cutting the wall of the excavation back to the required slope for the soil type, when over a depth of 1.2 m (4 ft); temporary protective structures such as shoring, trench boxes or sheet piling; trench box sides extended to minimum ground level or 400 mm (18 in) above ground level for sloped ground; professional engineer design for sheet piling; backfilling the space between the trench box and excavation; placing soil piles and heavy equipment minimum 1 m (4 ft) back from the excavation edge; other?

7. Explain the method of communication between the equipment operator and workers in the excavation while excavating, along with where to stand in order to stay out of crush points?

Listen for: Predetermined hand signals; two-way radio communication; designated signal person; staying within the confines of the temporary protective structure such as shoring, trench boxes or sheet piling; not placing body or limbs between equipment implements, hoisted/lifted materials or equipment and any solid objects/excavation wall; other?

8. What are <u>you</u> going to do to prevent the types of injuries or illnesses you described from happening to <u>you or anyone</u> else on this job?

Listen for verbal commitment to the following: Stopping work and intervening when unsafe behaviours/conditions are identified; asking questions when unclear; following the plan established from the hazard assessment; other?

Comments for Improvement of this Work Practice Evaluation

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