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FROM: PH-P1/M. Glenn
SUBJECT: 5/3/00 Lifting Devices and Equipment Committee Meeting Minutes

A meeting to discuss some lifting equipment issues was held on May 3, 2000, at 10:30 am in the Operations Support Building, Room 5308.

Meeting agenda items were as follows:

1. Non-load test slings
2. NASA Safety Standard for Lifting Devices and Equipment, NSS/GO-1740.9, status

Details of the meeting were as follows:

1. Non-load test slings. Two recently approved safety variances allow slings, not just structural slings; e.g., wire ropes and shackles, to be designated non-load test slings. The safety variances deleted the word "structural" from "structural sling" in NSS/GO-1740.9, paragraph 802c, and the Kennedy Space Center Safety Practices Handbook, KHB 1710.2, Annex G, including changing the "KSC List of Non-Load Test Structural Slings" to the "KSC List of Non-Load Test Slings". To make changes to the List; e.g., to add piece parts of a structural sling, requests will have to be submitted on a case by case basis. Unless identified/stated on the List, shackles, masterlinks, turnbuckles, wire ropes and piece parts require periodic load tests. Copies of the safety variances were available at the meeting and will be sent out with the meeting minutes.
2. NSS/GO-1740.9 status. An update to NSS/GO-1740.9 is in the beginning stages. Some proposed changes to NSS/GO-1740.9, recently sent to NASA Headquarters, were discussed at the meeting. Copies of the proposed changes were available at the meeting and will be sent out with the meeting minutes.

Contact me if you have any questions or need assistance with something.
Thanks.


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