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Valley Divisions Hit 100-Day Goal with No Lost-Time Injuries

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< East Valley Division 15, Maintenance, digs in.

(June 12, 2003) MTA's Safety's First program is having a real impact at San Fernando Valley divisions 8 and 15.

Improvements in equipment and procedures have enabled the maintenance departments at both San Fernando Valley divisions to reach their goal of 100 days without lost work time injuries.

To celebrate, both divisions threw barbecues for their employees, cooking up feasts of barbecued beef, chicken and ribs, with sides from local restaurants.

Maintenance managers Jim Pachan of Division 8 and John Roberts of Division 15 are proud of their team's safety records, and the strides that both have made in the past year.

Between January and April 2003, Division 8 Maintenance had an 85 percent reduction in OSHA recordable injuries and reduced its lost work day cases from six to zero, compared to the same period in 2002.

Division 15 Maintenance had similar results: a 71 percent reduction in OSHA recordable injuries and an 83 percent reduction in lost workday cases during the same time period.

"We're always striving to do better and be safer here, and I think this shows that we really are," says Roberts of the

Division 15 team.

His counterpart at Division 8 agrees. "We're already well on our way to our next accident-free hundred days," says Pachan.

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