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Chatsworth Division 8 Goes Two Years Without a Lost-Time Incident

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(Jan. 13, 2006) As of today, Chatsworth Division 8 has gone 782 days without a lost-time incident on their maintenance side—a feat that Maintenance Manager Pat Orr attributes to consistent safe practices by everyone on his team.

“They keep the place clean, they work safe, they work with each other, they help each other,” he said. “It’s a good thing they’ve got going here.”

Division 8 passed the two-year mark on Nov. 22, making it the longest streak that Orr can remember in his time at Metro.

“We probably hold the record right now for any operating division,” he said.

And while Orr did say that management is always trying to keep safety a priority in the divisions, the men and women in the yard day-to-day are the people who make it happen.

“It’s the employees,” he said. “Supervisors have a lot to do with it, but the employees are the ones that get the credit.”

A recent injury in which an employee fell off a ladder may bring their safety reign to a premature end. Orr is unfazed, though, and said that what they’d done once, they can do in the future.

“We’ll start over and go for it again,” he said.