1. PURPOSE

This standard applies to all Suncor In Situ Completions employees, contractors, vendors, visitors, and Well Site Supervisors. The mandate of this standard is to ensure that risk associated with the use of snipes in the workplace is managed to an acceptable level in every occurrence. No person shall perform any job or task that is beyond their ability to safely do so.

2. SCOPE – the following shall apply on all In Situ Completions work sites:

**Contractor Company Management** must approve and provide snipes that:

- Are engineered for use
- Match the intended work task
- Have been inspected for wear or damage
- Do not exceed the capacity of the pipe wrench
- Are correctly sized for the intended work task
  - Be shorter than two lengths of the pipe wrench’s handle
  - Fit fully to the pipe wrench (right up to the jaw) and be secured with a pin into the pipe wrench handle
  - Have a diameter close to the pipe wrench’s size (with little play)

**Workers** must – before using a snipe

- Conduct a Field Level Hazard Assessment (FLHA) comprised of the following information at minimum:
  - A clear and specific description of the task to be performed, in detail
  - A list of all the actual or potential hazards associated with each step of the task
  - A list of controls for every identified hazard, and who exactly is responsible for implementation
  - The FLHA should clearly identify exactly how to control the specific hazard of released energy when either (a) the snipe is being used to break a connection, and the connection breaks, or (b) the snipe / wrench combination slips off the equipment upon which it is being used, and the individual(s) that had been applying force gain directional momentum. That is to say, the FLHA should clearly identify both what would be the hazardous area (line of fire) if the snipe / wrench handle suddenly moved with force, and state the controls to be used to ensure no person or equipment are or become positioned in the line of fire.
IN SITU COMPLETIONS

Risk Level: III

SAFE USE OF SNIPES

- Inspect the snipe for wear or damage
- Ensure the size of the pipe wrench and snipe is right for the size of equipment
- The equipment on which the snipe is used is properly secured
- Adequate work space exists for using the snipe

**Workers** must — while using a snipe

- Take a safe position that is free of hazards that might cause the worker to slip or fall
- Set the pipe wrench jaws on the fitting
- Use the pipe wrench only at a 90-degree angle to the fitting
- Evenly apply force on the snipe, with no jerking motion
- Operate the snipe from a free-standing position, without additional leverage

**Well Site Supervisors** must — prior to using more than one worker on a snipe

- Contact the Completions Superintendent for approval

3. IMPLEMENTATION:

In Situ Completions management personnel and their delegates are responsible for implementation of this standard.

4. INTERPRETATION & UPDATING:

The Director of In Situ Completions is responsible for interpretation and updating of this standard.

Update due: ________________

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