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DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS .

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CHARLES M. SMITH, Jr., R.A., Commissioner  
248-8811

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ADVISORY TO CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

Re: Use of Slider Hooks for Rigging of Loads

1. Recently we have had a serious problem due to the use of slider hooks in the rigging of loads at a construction site.
2. This is to advise you that slider choker hooks as indicated in figure 1 of the attached sketches will not be allowed to be used in any hoisting operations in New York City. The rigging arrangements as shown in the attached sketches as noted as figures 2 and 3 are preferred, as chokers on slider hooks can be disengaged from the hooks during lifting operations.
3. At the present time we are issuing this advisory to the construction and rigging industry in order to make any necessary field changes where slider hooks are being used. As of November 20th all operations where slider-hooks are being used will be stopped and appropriate summonses issued.
4. We urge you to acquaint members of your organizations and industry of the above requirements.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. M. Smith, Jr.", written over the typed name.

Charles M. Smith, Jr.  
Commissioner

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