

Observed “Human Factors” in DPS Simulator Training

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Abstract

Of all the factors to consider when assessing a persons ability to successfully operate a DP control system, or to determine to particular cause of a DP incident, perhaps one of the most overlooked is the “human factor”. The term “human factor” as used in this paper, may be described as “an inappropriate action, mistake, or error that can be attributed to something other than a lack of knowledge or experience”. The purpose of this paper is to bring to light some of the more common adverse human factors as observed by the author after having conducted more than eighty DP Induction & Simulator courses over the past four years.

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