



## NLI: A Balanced Approach

When my supervisor asked me to put away some tires, I got right to it. The storeroom was on the second floor, so I balanced about 10 tires on the forklift, raised them up to the landing and started unloading. They swayed a little, but I was in a hurry to get the job done and this seemed the fastest way.

Then my supervisor saw me: “Ernest, What are you doing? This is very dangerous. Stop! We need to do a near loss investigation.”

The NLI showed me how important it is to perform an LPSA. As part of my corrective action, I created a forklift operation guide that is now posted right on the forklift and we no longer stack more than 5 tires at a time. We also ensure that tires are always secured so they don’t fall off.

The NLI also helped us see we needed a better place to store tires. With very little expense, we built a storage area on the ground floor. Now when I change a tire it’s a lot easier and safer and I only have to balance it once.

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