

U.S. Department of Labor
Occupational Safety and Health Administration
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Citation and Notification of Penalty

To:
Great Southern Peanut, LLC
and its successors
132 5th Street
Leesburg, GA 31763

Inspection Number: 1107788
Inspection Date(s): 02/09/2016 - 03/03/2016
Issuance Date: 07/21/2016

Inspection Site:
132 5th Street
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The violation(s) described in this Citation and Notification of Penalty is (are) alleged to have occurred on or about the day(s) the inspection was made unless otherwise indicated within the description given below.

This Citation and Notification of Penalty (this Citation) describes violations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970. The penalty(ies) listed herein is (are) based on these violations. You must abate the violations referred to in this Citation by the dates listed and pay the penalties proposed, unless within 15 working days (excluding weekends and Federal holidays) from your receipt of this Citation and Notification of Penalty you either call to schedule an informal conference (see paragraph below) or you mail a notice of contest to the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above. Please refer to the enclosed booklet (OSHA 3000) which outlines your rights and responsibilities and which should be read in conjunction with this form. Issuance of this Citation does not constitute a finding that a violation of the Act has occurred unless there is a failure to contest as provided for in the Act or, if contested, unless this Citation is affirmed by the Review Commission or a court.

Posting - The law requires that a copy of this Citation and Notification of Penalty be posted immediately in a prominent place at or near the location of the violation(s) cited herein, or, if it is not practicable because of the nature of the employer's operations, where it will be readily observable by all affected employees. This Citation must remain posted until the violation(s) cited herein has (have) been abated, or for 3 working days (excluding weekends and Federal holidays), whichever is longer.

Informal Conference - An informal conference is not required. However, if you wish to have such a conference you may request one with the Area Director during the 15 working day contest period. During such an informal conference you may present any evidence or views which you believe would support an adjustment to the citation(s) and/or penalty(ies).

If you are considering a request for an informal conference to discuss any issues related to this Citation and Notification of Penalty, you must take care to schedule it early enough to allow time to contest after the informal conference, should you decide to do so. Please keep in mind that a written letter of intent to contest must be submitted to the Area Director within 15 working days of your receipt of this Citation. The running of this contest period is not interrupted by an informal conference.

If you decide to request an informal conference, please complete, remove and post the Notice to Employees next to this Citation and Notification of Penalty as soon as the time, date, and place of the informal conference have been determined. Be sure to bring to the conference any and all supporting documentation of existing conditions as well as any abatement steps taken thus far. If conditions warrant, we can enter into an informal settlement agreement which amicably resolves this matter without litigation or contest.

Right to Contest – You have the right to contest this Citation and Notification of Penalty. You may contest all citation items or only individual items. You may also contest proposed penalties and/or abatement dates without contesting the underlying violations. **Unless you inform the Area Director in writing that you intend to contest the citation(s) and/or proposed penalty(ies) within 15 working days after receipt, the citation(s) and the proposed penalty(ies) will become a final order of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission and may not be reviewed by any court or agency.**

Penalty Payment – Penalties are due within 15 working days of receipt of this notification unless contested. (See the enclosed booklet and the additional information provided related to the Debt Collection Act of 1982.) Make your check or money order payable to “DOL-OSHA”. Please indicate the Inspection Number on the remittance. You can also make your payment electronically on www.pay.gov. On the left side of the pay.gov homepage, you will see an option to Search Public Forms. Type “OSHA” and click Go. From the results, click on **OSHA Penalty Payment Form**. The direct link is:

<https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334>.

You will be required to enter your inspection number when making the payment. Payments can be made by credit card or Automated Clearing House (ACH) using your banking information. Payments of \$25,000 or more require a Transaction ID, and also must be paid using ACH. If you require a Transaction ID, please contact the OSHA Debt Collection Team at (202) 693-2170.

OSHA does not agree to any restrictions or conditions or endorsements put on any check, money order, or electronic payment for less than the full amount due, and will process the payments as if these restrictions or conditions do not exist.

Notification of Corrective Action – For each violation which you do not contest, you must provide ***abatement certification*** to the Area Director of the OSHA office issuing the citation and identified above. This abatement certification is to be provided by letter within 10 calendar days after each abatement date. Abatement certification includes the date and method of abatement. If the citation indicates that the violation was corrected during the inspection, no abatement certification is required for that item. The abatement certification letter must be posted at the location where the violation appeared and the corrective action took place or employees must otherwise be effectively informed about abatement activities. A sample abatement certification letter is enclosed with this Citation. In addition, where the citation indicates that ***abatement documentation*** is necessary, evidence of the purchase or repair of equipment, photographs or video, receipts, training records, etc., verifying that abatement has occurred is required to be provided to the Area Director.

Employer Discrimination Unlawful – The law prohibits discrimination by an employer against an employee for filing a complaint or for exercising any rights under this Act. An employee who believes that he/she has been discriminated against may file a complaint no later than 30 days after the discrimination occurred with the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above.

Employer Rights and Responsibilities – The enclosed booklet (OSHA 3000) outlines additional employer rights and responsibilities and should be read in conjunction with this notification.

Notice to Employees – The law gives an employee or his/her representative the opportunity to object to any abatement date set for a violation if he/she believes the date to be unreasonable. The contest must be mailed to the U.S. Department of Labor Area Office at the address shown above and postmarked within 15 working days (excluding weekends and Federal holidays) of the receipt by the employer of this Citation and Notification of Penalty.

Inspection Activity Data – You should be aware that OSHA publishes information on its inspection and citation activity on the Internet under the provisions of the Electronic Freedom of Information Act. The information related to these alleged violations will be posted when our system indicates that you have received this citation. You are encouraged to review the information concerning your establishment at www.osha.gov. If you have any dispute with the accuracy of the information displayed, please contact this office.



NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE

An informal conference has been scheduled with OSHA to discuss the citation(s) issued on 07/21/2016. The conference will be held by telephone or at the OSHA office located at 450 Mall Boulevard, Suite J, Savannah, GA 31406 on _____ at _____ . Employees and/or representatives of employees have a right to attend an informal conference.

CERTIFICATION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION WORKSHEET

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List the specific method of correction for each item on this citation in this package that does not read "Corrected During Inspection" and return to: **U.S. Department of Labor – Occupational Safety and Health Administration, 450 Mall Boulevard, Suite J, Savannah, GA 31406**

Citation Number _____ and Item Number _____ was corrected on _____
By (Method of Abatement): _____

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I certify that the information contained in this document is accurate and that the affected employees and their representatives have been informed of the abatement.

Signature

Date

Typed or Printed Name

Title

NOTE: 29 USC 666(g) whoever knowingly makes any false statements, representation or certification in any application, record, plan or other documents filed or required to be maintained pursuant to the Act shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or by imprisonment of not more than 6 months or both.

POSTING: A copy of completed Corrective Action Worksheet should be posted for employee review

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Citation 1 Item 1 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.23(a)(1): Every stairway floor opening was not guarded by a standard railing constructed in accordance with paragraph (e) of this section on all exposed sides (except at the entrance to the stairway).

a) Sorter Area - On or about February 10, 2016, the vertical height of the top rail guarding the color sorters stairway opening was approximately 30.75 inches, thus exposing employees to fall hazard of approximately 7 feet onto wooden stairs.

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Citation 1 Item 2 Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.24(f): Rise height and tread width were not uniform throughout any flight of stairs including any foundation structure used as one or more treads of the stairs.

a). Sorter Area - On or about and times prior to February 10, 2016, the stairway that led to the color sorters had non-uniform rise height that varied from 8 to 9.5 inches, thus exposing employees to a trip and fall hazard.

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Citation 1 Item 3 a Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.219(c)(2)(i): All exposed part(s) of horizontal shafting seven (7) feet or less from floor or working platform were not protected by stationary casing(s) enclosing shafting completely or by trough(s) enclosing sides and top or sides and bottom of shafting.

- a). Shelling Plant - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the horizontal shaft on the rear of the Whole Shaker (secondary sheller) was not guarded, thus exposing employees to a caught-in hazard.
- b). Bag Off - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the horizontal shaft on the rear of the Split Separator was not guarded, thus exposing employees to a caught-in hazard.
- c). Bag Off - On or about and times prior to February 11, 2016, the horizontal shaft on the rear of the Jumbo Separator was not guarded, thus exposing employees to a caught-in hazard.

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Citation 1 Item 3 b Type of Violation: **Serious**

29 CFR 1910.219(h)(1): Projecting key(s), setscrew(s), or other projections in revolving part(s) were not removed, made flush, or guarded by metal cover(s).

a). Shelling Plant - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, there were projecting square head setscrews located on the rear horizontal shaft of the Whole Shaker (secondary sheller) that were not guarded, thus exposing employees to a caught-in hazard.

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Citation 2 Item 1 Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.22(a)(2): Floor(s) of workroom(s) were not maintained in a clean and, so far as possible, a dry condition.

a). Maintenance Shop - On or about and times prior to February 10, 2016, the vehicle service pit floor was not maintained in a dry condition due to continual water intrusion from rain water, thus exposing employees to slip and fall hazards.

Georgia Farm Services, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.22(a)(2) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 942122, citation number 1, item number 2 and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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Citation 2 Item 2 a Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.22(c): Covers and/or guardrails were not provided to protect personnel from the hazards of open pits, tanks, vats, ditches, etc.

a). Maintenance Shop - On or about and times prior to February 10, 2016, the vehicle service pit was not adequately guarded when not in use, thus exposing employees to a fall hazard of approximately 4 feet onto concrete flooring.

b). Cleaner Plant - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the bucket elevator pit was not adequately guarded, thus exposing employees to a fall hazard of approximately 3 feet onto a bucket elevator and/or concrete flooring.

Georgia Farm Services, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.23(a)(5) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 942122, citation number 1, item number 3 and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.22(c) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 2 and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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Citation 2 Item 2 b Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.23(c)(1): Open-sided floors and/or platforms four feet or more above adjacent floor or ground level were not guarded with standard railings (or equivalent) and toeboards. Note: Toeboards are only required when persons can pass, there is moving equipment or there is equipment with which falling materials could create a hazard.

a). Bag Off Loading Dock - On or about and times prior to February 10, 2016, the edges of loading dock 4 were not properly guarded, thus exposing employees to a fall hazard of approximately 4 feet 3 inches onto pavement.

b). Re-Mill Area - On or about and times prior to February 10, 2016, the stationary elevated platform used to conduct re-milling operations was not equipped with intermediate railing, thus exposing employees to a fall hazard up to 11.25 feet onto concrete flooring.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.23(c)(1), which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 4 and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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Citation 2 Item 3 Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.23(a)(2): Ladderway floor opening(s) or platform(s) were not guarded by a standard railing with standard toeboard(s) on all exposed sides (except at the entrance to opening) with passage through the railing either provided with a swinging gate or so offset that a person could walk directly into the opening.

- a). Cleaner Plant - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the ladder entrance that led to the peanut holding tank was not guarded, thus exposing employees to a fall hazard of approximately 7.3 feet onto concrete flooring.
- b). Shelling Plant - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the ladder entrance that led to the 1st level elevated platform was not properly guarded, thus exposing employees to a fall hazard of approximately 6.3 feet onto concrete flooring.
- c). Shelling Plant - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the ladder entrance that led to the 2nd level elevated platform was not properly guarded, thus exposing employees to a fall hazard of approximately 6.3 feet onto concrete flooring.
- d). Re-Mill Area - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the ladder entrance that led to the elevated re-mill platform was not guarded, thus exposing employees to a fall hazard of approximately 7.3 feet onto concrete flooring.
- e). Bag Off - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the two ladder entrances that led to pre-bag holding bins were not guarded, thus exposing employees to a fall hazard of approximately 19 feet onto concrete flooring.
- f). Bag Off - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the ladder entrance that led to the rolling sizers were not guarded, thus exposing employees to a fall hazard of approximately 10 feet onto concrete flooring.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.23(a)(2), which was contained in OSHA inspection number

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962546, citation number 1, item number 3 and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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The alleged violations below have been grouped because they involve similar or related hazards that may increase the potential for injury or illness.

Citation 2 Item 4 a Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.23(d)(1): Flights of stairs having four or more risers were not equipped with a standard railing as specified in paragraphs (d)(1)(i) through (v) of this section.

a). Sorter Area - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the metal stairway used to gain access to the stoner machine was not equipped with an intermediate rail on the left side descending, thus exposing employees to a fall hazard.

b). Sorter and Gravity Area - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the stairway used to gain access to the sorter holding bins was not equipped with an intermediate rail on the right side ascending, thus exposing employees to a fall hazard.

c). Bag Off Loading Dock - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the metal stairway used to gain access to the loading dock was not equipped with standard railing, thus exposing employees to a trip and fall hazard.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 29 CFR 1910.23(d)(1), which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 5 and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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Citation 2 Item 4 b Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.23(d)(1)(i): Flight(s) of stairs with four or more risers, less than 44 inches wide and having both sides enclosed, were not equipped with at least one standard handrail.

a). Maintenance Shop - On or about and times prior to February 10, 2016, the stairway used to gain access into the vehicle service pit was not equipped with a handrail, thus exposing employees to a trip and fall hazard.

b). Sorter and Gravity Area - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the stairway used to gain access to the sorter holding bins was not equipped with railing that extended the entire length of the stairway, thus exposing employees to a trip and fall hazard.

Georgia Farm Services, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 29 CFR 1910.23(d)(1)(i) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 942122, citation number 1, item number 5 and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 29 CFR 1910.23(d)(1) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 5 and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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Citation 2 Item 5 Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.37(a)(3): Exit route(s) were not kept free and unobstructed.

a). Cleaning Plant - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the walkway used to gain access to the exit had an obstruction impeding the route that included a vertical structural beam, thus exposing employees to egress hazards.

b). Shelling Plant - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the walkways used to gain access to the exit had obstructions impeding the route that included peanut processing machinery, electrical panels, a bucket elevator, and a vertical structural beam, thus exposing employees to egress hazards.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.37(a)(3), which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 8a and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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Citation 2 Item 6 a Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.146(d)(3): Under the permit-required confined space program required by 29 CFR 1910.146(c)(4), the employer did not develop and implement the means, procedures, and practices necessary for safe permit space entry operations, including, but not limited to items (d)(3)(i) through (d)(3)(vi) of this paragraph:

a). Throughout the workplace - On or about February 9, 2016, the employer did not develop or implement procedures that specified acceptable entry conditions, allowed observations of monitoring and testing, required isolating the permit spaces, controlled atmospheric hazards, and ensured that acceptable conditions existed throughout entry for entry into permit spaces to include, but not limited to peanut dump pits, thus exposing employees to caught-in and atmospheric hazards.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.146(c)(4) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 13b and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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Citation 2 Item 6 b Type of Violation: Repeat

29 CFR 1910.146(g)(1): The employer did not provide training so that all employees whose work was regulated by 29 CFR 1910.146 (permit required confined spaces) acquired the understanding, knowledge, and skills necessary for the safe performance of the duties assigned under 29 CFR 1910.146:

a). Throughout the workplace - On or about February 9, 2016, the employer did not provide training to employees that entered permit spaces to include, but not limited to peanut dump pits, thus exposing employees to caught-in and atmospheric hazards.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.146(g)(1) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 13e and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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Citation 2 Item 6 c Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.146(k)(1): An employer who designates rescue and emergency services, pursuant to paragraph (d)(9) of this section did not evaluate the prospective rescuer's ability by the criteria set in this section, (k)(1)(i) - (k)(1)(v).

a). Throughout the workplace - On or about February 9, 2016, the employer did not evaluate their designated rescue service's (i.e. 911) ability to rescue entrant(s) in permit spaces to include, but not limited to peanut dump pits, thus exposing employees to caught-in and atmospheric hazards.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.146(d)(9) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 13d and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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Citation 2 Item 7 a Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.147(c)(4)(ii): The energy control procedures did not clearly and specifically outline the scope, purpose, authorization, rules, and techniques to be utilized for the control of hazardous energy, including, but not limited to items of this section.

a). Throughout the workplace - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the employer's energy control procedures used during servicing and maintenance on peanut processing machines (e.g. shellers, bucket elevators, and color sorters) did not specifically outline the following:

1. Steps for shutting down, isolating, blocking, and securing peanut processing machinery to control the hazardous energy
2. Steps for placement, removal, and transfer of lockout/tagout devices on peanut processing machinery
3. Steps for testing peanut processing machinery machine to verify effectiveness of lockout/tagout devices and other control measures
4. Identification of lockout/tagout devices to be utilized on isolation sources
5. Group lockout/tagout protocol

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 29 CFR 1910.147(e)(1) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 14 and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

08/16/2016
\$10780.00

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Great Southern Peanut, LLC
Inspection Site: 132 5th Street, Leesburg, GA 31763

Citation 2 Item 7 b Type of Violation: Repeat

29 CFR 1910.147(c)(7)(i): The employer did not provide training to ensure that the purpose and function of the energy control program are understood by employees and that the knowledge and skills required for the safe application, usage, and removal of the energy controls are acquired by employees.

a). Throughout the workplace - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the employer did not provide training to employees in the purpose and function of the energy control program and in the safe application, usage, and removal of energy controls, thus exposing employees to caught-in hazards.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 29 CFR 1910.147(c)(1) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 14 and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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Citation 2 Item 8 Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.157(g)(2): The educational program to familiarize employees with the general principles of fire extinguisher use and the hazards involved with incipient stage fire fighting was not provided to all employees upon initial employment, and at least annually thereafter.

a). Throughout the workplace - On or about February 9, 2016, the employer did not provide initial and at least annually refresher training to employees that were designated to use portable fire extinguishers during an incipient stage fire, thus exposing employees to fire hazards.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.157(g)(2), which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 16c and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

Georgia Farm Services, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.157(g)(1) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 942122, citation number 1, item number 10c and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

08/16/2016
\$6160.00

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Company Name: Great Southern Peanut, LLC
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Citation 2 Item 9 Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.178(l)(2)(ii): The employer did not ensure that each operator had successfully completed the training consisting of a combination of formal instruction (e.g., lecture, discussion, interactive computer learning, video tape, written material), practical training (demonstrations performed by the trainer and practical exercises performed by the trainee), and evaluation of the operator's performance in the workplace.

a). Maintenance Shop - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the employer did not ensure that all employees required to operate forklifts had completed formal training, thus exposing employees to a programmatic hazard.

Georgia Farm Services, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.178(l)(1)(ii) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 942122, citation number 1, item number 12a and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:

08/16/2016

Proposed Penalty:

\$200.00

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Citation and Notification of Penalty

Company Name: Great Southern Peanut, LLC
Inspection Site: 132 5th Street, Leesburg, GA 31763

Citation 2 Item 10 Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.178(p)(1): Powered industrial truck(s) found to be in need of repair, defective, or in any way unsafe had not been taken out of service until restored to safe operating condition(s).

a). Yard Area - On or about and times prior to March 2, 2016, the #4 Ottawa Commando 30 yard tractor was operated with a cracked windshield, one non-functional headlight, and a non-functional audible reverse alarm, thus exposing employees to struck-by hazards.

b). Yard Area - On or about and times prior to March 2, 2016, the #5 Ottawa Commando 30 yard tractor was operated with a cracked windshield, one non-functional headlight and a non-functional audible reverse alarm, thus exposing employees to struck-by hazards.

c). Yard Area - On or about and times prior to March 2, 2016, the #205 Ottawa Commando 30 yard tractor was operated with one non-functional headlight and cracked side mirrors, thus exposing employees to struck-by hazards.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.178(p)(1) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 17b and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

Georgia Farm Services, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.178(p)(1) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 942122, citation number 1, item number 12c and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

08/16/2016
\$9240.00

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The alleged violations below have been grouped because they involve similar or related hazards that may increase the potential for injury or illness.

Citation 2 Item 11 a Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.219(d)(1): Pulley(s) with part(s) seven feet or less from the floor or work platform were not guarded in accordance with the requirements specified in 29 CFR 1910.219(m) and (o).

a). Shelling Plant - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, two spoke pulleys located on the rear of the Whole Shaker (secondary sheller) were not fully guarded, thus exposing employees to a caught-in hazard.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.219(d)(1) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 18a and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

ABATEMENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THIS ITEM

Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

08/16/2016
\$4620.00

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Citation 2 Item 11 b Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.219(f)(3): Sprocket wheels and chains which were seven (7) feet or less above the floor or platform were not enclosed.

a). Shelling Plant - On or about and times prior to February 9, 2016, the chain and sprocket wheel located on the rear of the Whole Shaker (secondary sheller) was not fully enclosed, thus exposing employees to a caught-in hazard.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.219(f)(3) which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 19 and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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Company Name: Great Southern Peanut, LLC
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Citation 2 Item 12 Type of Violation: **Repeat**

29 CFR 1910.242(b): Compressed air used for cleaning purposes was not reduced to less than 30 p.s.i. and not used with effective chip guarding and personal protective equipment.

a). Cleaner Plant, Shelling Plant, and Bag Off - On or about and times prior to February 10, 2016, compressed air nozzles (i.e. metal rods) used to clean the floors and peanut processing machinery was unable to reduce the air pressure to less than 30 p.s.i. under static conditions, thus exposing employees to struck-by hazards.

b). Bag Off - On or about and times prior to February 10, 2016, employees used compressed air nozzles (i.e. metal rods) to clean the floors and peanut processing machinery without eye protection, thus exposing employees to struck-by hazards.

Great Southern Peanut, LLC was previously cited for a violation of this occupational safety and health standard or its equivalent standard 1910.242(b), which was contained in OSHA inspection number 962546, citation number 1, item number 20 and was affirmed as a final order on January 9, 2015, with respect to a workplace located at 132 Fifth Street, Leesburg, GA 31763.

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Date By Which Violation Must be Abated:
Proposed Penalty:

08/16/2016
\$6160.00

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kimberly C. Austin". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Kimberly C. Austin
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INVOICE / DEBT COLLECTION NOTICE

Company Name: Great Southern Peanut, LLC
Inspection Site: 132 5th Street, Leesburg, GA 31763
Issuance Date: 07/21/2016

Summary of Penalties for Inspection Number	1107788
Citation 1, Serious	\$7700.00
Citation 2, Repeat	\$89520.00
TOTAL PROPOSED PENALTIES	\$97220.00

To avoid additional charges, please remit payment promptly to this Area Office for the total amount of the uncontested penalties summarized above. Make your check or money order payable to: "DOL-OSHA". Please indicate OSHA's Inspection Number (indicated above) on the remittance. You can also make your payment electronically on www.pay.gov. On the left side of the pay.gov homepage, you will see an option to Search Public Forms. Type "OSHA" and click Go. From the results, click on **OSHA Penalty Payment Form**. The direct link is <https://www.pay.gov/paygov/forms/formInstance.html?agencyFormId=53090334>. You will be required to enter your inspection number when making the payment. Payments can be made by credit card or Automated Clearing House (ACH) using your banking information. Payments of \$25,000 or more require a Transaction ID, and also must be paid using ACH. If you require a Transaction ID, please contact the OSHA Debt Collection Team at (202) 693-2170.

OSHA does not agree to any restrictions or conditions or endorsements put on any check, money order, or electronic payment for less than the full amount due, and will cash the check or money order as if these restrictions or conditions do not exist.

If a personal check is issued, it will be converted into an electronic fund transfer (EFT). This means that our bank will copy your check and use the account information on it to electronically debit your account for the amount of the check. The debit from your account will then usually occur within 24 hours and will be shown on your regular account statement. You will not receive your original check back. The bank will destroy your original check, but will keep a copy of it. If the EFT cannot be completed because of insufficient funds or closed

account, the bank will attempt to make the transfer up to 2 times.

Pursuant to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 (Public Law 97-365) and regulations of the U.S. Department of Labor (29 CFR Part 20), the Occupational Safety and Health Administration is required to assess interest, delinquent charges, and administrative costs for the collection of delinquent penalty debts for violations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act.

Interest: Interest charges will be assessed at an annual rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury on all penalty debt amounts not paid within one month (30 calendar days) of the date on which the debt amount becomes due and payable (penalty due date). The current interest rate is one percent (1%). Interest will accrue from the date on which the penalty amounts (as proposed or adjusted) become a final order of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission (that is, 15 working days from your receipt of the Citation and Notification of Penalty), unless you file a notice of contest. Interest charges will be waived if the full amount owed is paid within 30 calendar days of the final order.

Delinquent Charges: A debt is considered delinquent if it has not been paid within one month (30 calendar days) of the penalty due date or if a satisfactory payment arrangement has not been made. If the debt remains delinquent for more than 90 calendar days, a delinquent charge of six percent (6%) per annum will be assessed accruing from the date that the debt became delinquent.

Administrative Costs: Agencies of the Department of Labor are required to assess additional charges for the recovery of delinquent debts. These additional charges are administrative costs incurred by the Agency in its attempt to collect an unpaid debt. Administrative costs will be assessed for demand letters sent in an attempt to collect the unpaid debt.



Kimberly C. Austin
Acting Area Director

7-21-16

Date