First and foremost, the purpose of a pre-use inspection is to ensure that the machine is safe to operate. ... A defective machine could easily endanger the life of its operator, as well as the lives of laborers working in close proximity to it.

**Section 913-1** Equipment shall be inspected each shift by a qualified person designated by the operator. Equipment defects affecting safety shall be reported immediately.

**Section 913-2** Equipment defects affecting safety shall be corrected before the equipment is used.