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IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE

INFORMATION BULLETIN NO. 96

TO: OWNERS OF SPECIFIC DR ROOF DRILLS WITH THE FOLLOWING

SERIAL NOS: 78043, 78126, 81044, 83024, 84019, 84062, 84115, 84116, 85021, 86009, 88146, 88147, 89035, 89036, 89060, 90067,

91304, 92048, 94036, 94045, 94046, 2003341, 2003403

FROM: J.H. FLETCHER & CO.

DATE: MARCH 2004

SUBJECT: CONTROL LEVERS

J.H. Fletcher & Co. refurbishes valve chests on DR roof drills. During these jobs we provide the customer with new, standard control levers. We are notifying customers with the same type of DR roof drills that the new control levers are available to them also. These controls are specific to this machine design and are contoured to reduce the possibility of one handle overlapping another when properly maintained. The attached photographs show the shape of the new handles and that they are attached to the valve stem by E-clips.

Fletcher encourages owners of these DR roof drills to evaluate the condition of the handles on their machines. Each handle has a designated part number and some are of differing lengths so that they are more easily identified when operated (see attachment). If the handles are bent, twisted, can be made to overlap, or the function is not easily identified, all handles should be replaced.

Failure to provide proper maintenance of the handles, by avoiding overlap, play or interference with connections or other handles, may result in risk of injury or death. Control levers must be maintained as specified by the Original Equipment Manufacture.

If you currently own one of the machines listed above and want to replace any or all of the handles on your machine, contact Fletcher's Service Department or an authorized distributor. When ordering new handles, make sure that the handle arrangement on your machine is similar to the one in the photograph. You will also be required to provide the serial number of the machine you want to install the new handle arrangement on. If you have a machine that is not listed above, contact Fletcher's Service Department for information on handles for your machine.

If you no longer own or operate a Fletcher roof drill that is affected by this notice, please complete the "Inactive Equipment Status Form" or notify the Fletcher Risk Management Department by phone at 304/525-7811 or by email at dcooper@jhfletcher.com.

If you have any questions about your machine, the applicability of this bulletin to your machine, or any other safety issues, please contact Fletcher's Service Department or Risk Management Department, or your local Fletcher Field Representative.

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SOLD OR TRANSFERRED EQUIPMENT:

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Title:

Address:

Phone:

Name of Company:

INACTIVE EQUIPMENT STATUS FORM

MODEL: OWNER: SERIAL NO: _____ ADDRESS: TRANSACTION DATE:_____ PHONE NO: _____ MODEL: OWNER: ADDRESS: SERIAL NO: _____ TRANSACTION DATE: _____ PHONE NO: _____ **EQUIPMENT THAT IS PERMANENTLY OUT-OF-SERVICE:** MODEL: MODEL: SERIAL NO: _____ SERIAL NO: MODEL: MODEL: SERIAL NO: SERIAL NO: Person completing form: Printed Name

Signature

Please return to: J. H. FLETCHER & CO.

ATTN: RISK MANAGEMENT DEPT.

402 HIGH STREET

HUNTINGTON WV 25705

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PHOTO 1

CORRECT BEND AND LENGTH OF DR CONTROL LEVERS

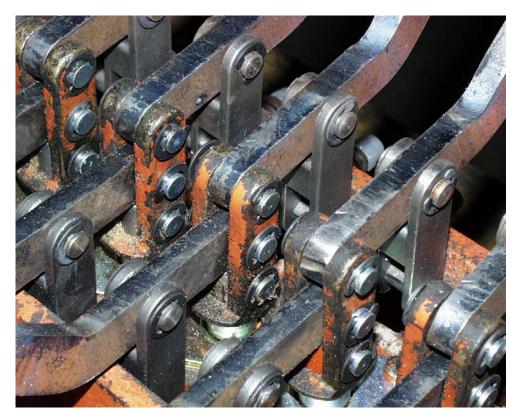


PHOTO 2

DETAILED VIEW
OF HANDLES
CONNECTED TO
VALVE STEMS
BY E-CLIPS