

SAFETY ALERT

DATE: December 20, 2002

SUBJECT: Back-up Wrench – Guide Plate, Inner Tube

SERIAL NUMBERS: 002 and up

DISCUSSION: Recently a near miss incident was reported when a BUW guide plate fell

from the Top Drive during operation. The retaining bolts became loose and

fell out allowing the guide plate to fall.

RECOMMENDATION: Inspect all eight (8) counter-sunk bolts for tightness daily.

If a loose bolt is discovered, remove both bolts and the appropriate guide plate, clean the threads and countersunk hole thoroughly from grease and debris. Reinstall the guide plate and bolts, applying Loctite® 242 compound to the thread of the bolts prior to insertion. Any medium strength general purpose thread-locker can be substituted. Tighten bolts to 99 Ft*lbs on 43.25 inch stroke BUW (see below for part numbers) and 63 Ft*lbs for all other

BUW assemblies.

CANRIG has developed a retrofit kit to change out the countersunk bolts with hex head bolts that are drilled for safety wire and a heavy duty washer to cover the countersink hole. This kit is available from your regular CANRIG contact or from the field operations manager listed below. For all 43.25" stroke BUW assemblies (i.e. AY10929, AY11125, AY11240 & AY11240-1) use Part No. AY11769, for all other BUW's use Part No. AY11768, when ordering this kit.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your CANRIG contact or the Field Operations Manager listed below. *IF in doubt, ask!*

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