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IMPORTANT RETROFIT SAFETY NOTICE

INFORMATION BULLETIN NO. 77

TO:	CONTACT COMPANY
FROM:	RISK MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT J. H. FLETCHER & CO.
DATE:	JUNE 29, 1998
SUBJ:	TRAM ENABLE PEDAL

Most J.H. Fletcher & Co. roof drills have a tram deck compartment. In the deck there are two separate handles used to tram the machine. In previous designs, the operator had to activate a pump control handle to provide power to the tram control levers. Recently, however, J. H. Fletcher & Co. has further enhanced this system by replacing the pump control lever in the tram deck with a tram enable pedal arrangement. The advantages of this new system are:

- a. The operator doesn't have to remember to activate the pump control lever to transfer oil from the tram levers to the ATRS and drilling controls; and
- b. The new system requires the operator to keep his foot on the tram enable pedal, which provides oil (energy) to the tram system.

Based on current user knowledge, this reduces the potential for accidental activation of the tram levers and helps to ensure the operator is properly positioned within the tram compartment.

J. H. Fletcher & Co. has been placing this mechanism on new and modernized non-walk-through machines since 1997. Therefore, if you own or operate a machine that does not have this current design, you should have the tram enable pedal added to your machine.

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If you do not have the tram enable pedal, we recommend the following:

1. The tram enable pedal must be placed on a level area within the confines of the tram deck under the canopy. This control placement will enable the operator to remain properly seated fully inside the tram deck during tramming (see Attachment A.)
2. Decide which tram enable pedal arrangement you will need. The difference in the pedal designs is where you want to place your valve and how you want to hose the diversion valve. [Part Number 285761 (left) and Part Number 284656 (right), (see Attachment B)].
3. Upon installation, train your operators about the advantages, proper use and the need to properly maintain this system.
4. To purchase a retrofit kit, call the Fletcher Service Department or one of our distributors with the serial number, specific kit number and proper shipping address.

Fletcher emphasizes that this is a company design policy and is being installed on most roof bolter machines. We therefore encourage all owners of Fletcher roof drills to modernize their machines.

If you no longer own or operate a machine with a designated operator tram deck that might be affected by this notification, please provide new ownership or machine disposition information by completing the inactive equipment disposition form.

If you have any questions, or need assistance from our Service Department to evaluate your particular machine or implement this retrofit, please call the Sales Department or your local Fletcher field representative.

INACTIVE EQUIPMENT DISPOSITION

SOLD OR TRANSFERRED EQUIPMENT:

MODEL: _____ OWNER: _____
 SERIAL NO.: _____ ADDRESS: _____

 PHONE NO.: _____ TRANSACTION DATE: _____

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EQUIPMENT THAT IS PERMANENTLY OUT-OF-SERVICE:

MODEL: _____ MODEL: _____
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COMMENT:

Dated: _____

 CM No.: _____

 Authorized Representative