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IMPORTANT SAFETY RETROFIT NOTICE

INFORMATION BULLETIN NO. 47

TO: ALL MAINTENANCE SUPERVISORS, SAFETY DIRECTORS AND REBUILDERS
OF J. H. FLETCHER & CO. ROOF BOLTING EQUIPMENT

FROM: RISK MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
J. H. FLETCHER & CO.

DATE: JANUARY 1994

SUBJ: MODIFICATION OF L-STYLE TRS

J. H. Fletcher & Co. has been informed of a potential safety hazard caused by roof material breaking loose and sliding down the arm of some L-Style temporary roof supports (TRS). This hazard is associated with specific mine roof conditions and could create a situation that would allow the roof material to slide down the TRS into the operator.

As a result of this potential problem, J. H. Fletcher & Co. has designed a pad attachment which projects from the middle of the TRS beam toward the rear of the machine (see attached drawing). The purpose of this pad is to prevent rocks which break away from the roof in this area from sliding down the TRS arm.

J. H. Fletcher & Co. considers it of vital importance that all owners of walk-thru inside control machines with a L-Style TRS evaluate their mine roof conditions immediately to determine if this retrofit is necessary. It is J. H. Fletcher & Co.'s position that this retrofit will decrease the possibility of injury to operators.

If you no longer own this equipment, we request that you provide the name and address of the purchaser, so that we can ensure the current owner receives this notice.

If you have any questions or comments, please call your area sales or service representative or contact our Service Department at 304/525-7811.

"L" STYLE TRS W/OUTBY

PAD & DEFLECTION PLATE

