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IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE
INFORMATION BULLETIN NO: 114

TO: OWNERS, OPERATORS AND REBUILDERS OF J.H. FLETCHER & CO. MACHINES WITH TWO-LEG HINGED TRAM CANOPY
FROM: J.H. FLETCHER & CO. RISK MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
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SUBJECT: DAMAGE TO TWO-LEG HINGED CANOPY

J.H. Fletcher & Co. recently mailed out Information Bulletin No. 114. The bulletin offers a mechanical stop for the tram canopy to owners of Fletcher machines with two-leg hinged tram canopies.

In IB 114 only the mechanical stop, P/N: 422007, was identified. **However, if your tram canopy uses a hydraulic cylinder to raise and lower the canopy you will also need a pressure relief valve.** Fletcher requires that you add a relief valve on the pressure down side of the cylinder. This will ensure that during the cylinder down stroke that the pressure is maintained at a level that will not damage the canopy, the hydraulic cylinder, or the tram canopy stop. This revision comes after further review and testing of the “gravity down” system that was describe in the original bulletin.

The relief valve (P/N: 39442) may be ordered separately and is required with the mechanical stop (P/N: 422007) on machines with the hydraulic cylinder adjustable canopy only.

To simplify ordering, we have assigned two separate kit numbers. Kit number 423160 is used for the mechanical post (non-hydraulic adjustable) tram canopy arrangement and includes the mechanical stops (P/N: 422007), an installation drawing, and the required tag (P/N: 359706) with installation rivets. Kit number 425623 is used for the hydraulic cylinder adjustable canopy and it includes the mechanical stops (P/N: 422007), an installation drawing, the required tag (P/N: 359706) with installation rivets, and the required relief valve (P/N: 39442) with its fittings (loose).

J.H. Fletcher & Co. apologizes for failing to identify this in the original bulletin. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call David Cooper, 304-525-7811, ext. 240.