



DATE: May 16, 2003

SUBJECT: Inspection of safety pins – Follow up to safety alert 88, dated Mar 27, 03

SERIAL NUMBERS: All

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RECOMMENDATION: The study was completed and it was concluded that the safety pin used for retaining the clevis pin is the preferred method, especially when the clevis pin is frequently removed. Inspection of the clevis is still a very important safety precaution and should be conducted on a monthly basis.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your CANRIG representative or the Field Operations Manager listed below.

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RECOMMENDATION: Inspect each safety pin for any wear and make sure each pin is actually closed. Continue with this inspection on a monthly basis. If you find any safety pins that do show signs of wear, replace immediately. It is Canrig's recommendation that any pins found in a vertical position which do not have a shoulder, should be replaced immediately with a shouldered pin. Canrig is conducting a study on the retention system used with these type clevis pins and will provide an update to the bulletin on its conclusion.

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