DATE: March 24, 2006

SUBJECT: Prevent the EDC Handle from Becoming Loose

RATING: [X] DIRECTIVE
   (Action is required)

   [ ] ALERT
   (Potential Problem)

   [ ] INFORMATION
   (Action is optional)

   [ ] PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT
   (Enhance Product)

MACHINE MODEL(S): M2 Ballast Regulators

SERIAL NUMBER(S): 9701-9916, M20101-M20117, 800118-800134

SUMMARY: The EDC is used to control forward and reverse travel. There is a possibility that the operator could twist the handle during operation causing the handle to unscrew from the EDC itself.

OPERATIONAL IMPACT: If the handle comes off of the controller, the speed and direction of travel can't be adjusted or changed with the EDC.

ACTION: The handle should be removed from the EDC and the threads in the handle and on the EDC should be cleaned of all oil and debris. Apply Loctite® 271 or 680 thread lock to the threads and reassemble handle onto EDC. The handle should be checked weekly to insure that it has not loosened during use. See Figure 1 on Page 2.

WARRANTY: None
1. Remove EDC handle by turning it CCW
2. Clean the threads on the handle and EDC unit.
3. Apply Loctite® 271 or 680 thread lock to the threads of both pieces.
4. Reassemble handle onto EDC by turning it CW. Hand-tighten only!
5. Check handle weekly to insure that it has not loosened.