DATE: October 5, 1999

MACHINE: Claws, Super Claws and Grabber Spike Pullers

SERIAL NUMBER(S): All

SUBJECT: Improved Spike Claw Lever

The Outer Spike Claw Lever, part number 47849000, and the Inner Spike Claw Lever, part number 47849001, have been replaced with a Universal Claw Lever, part number 47849003. The new Universal Claw Lever offers several advantages over the previous design:

- Lower Cost
- Reduced inventory due to “Universal” design
- Increased life due to tough ductile iron casting
- Increased strength in the spike claw “pocket”

The new lever is much tougher than the old design levers and the pocket has a thicker section eliminating the need for a replaceable pocket. The Replacement Spike Claw Pocket, part number 18080126, cannot be used with this new lever due to the difficulty of welding this material.

The new lever comes with a Claw Lever Bushing, part number 22052252, installed. This bushing may also be ordered separately for when replacement of the bushing is required.

All orders placed for the Outer or Inner Claw Levers will be filled with the Universal Claw Lever.