DATE: October 28, 2003

SUBJECT: Clevis-style Pusher Block Links - 47706087

RATING: 
- [ ] DIRECTIVE (Action is required)
- [x] ALERT (Potential Problem)
- [x] INFORMATION (Action is optional)
- [x] PRODUCT IMPROVEMENT (Enhance Product)

MACHINE MODEL(S):
- Model B Hydra-Spiker Spike Driver
- Super B and Super B-2 Spike Driver
- Model 44 Spike Driver
- Model A, B and B-2 Hydra-Hammer Spike Driver
- Model C and 99C Spike Driver

SERIAL NUMBER(S):
- Model B Hydra-Spiker Spike Driver: 119-162
- Super B and Super B-2 Spike Driver: All
- Model 44 spike Driver: All
- Model A, B and B-2 Hydra-Hammer Spike Driver: All
- Model C and 99C Spike Driver: All

SUMMARY:
A Clevis-style Pusher Block Link, p/n 47706087, has been designed to replace the Pin-style Pusher Block Link, p/n 47706083, used on these machines. The pin on the link could break during use allowing the Feeder Cylinder Rod to come out of the cylinder barrel.

OPERATIONAL IMPACT:
The new link will prevent damage to the Feeder Cylinders, p/n 96350523, caused if the pin on the link breaks. The cylinder attaches to the new link with a clevis pin. This pin is supported on both sides of the cylinder rod, eliminating the side load problem of the original design.

ACTION:
The new links are directly interchangeable with the original links. Each link is shipped with a Clevis Pin, p/n 3301127 and Cotter Pin, p/n 3070159. This new link will be supplied on all parts orders and is standard on all Model CX Spike Drivers starting with S/N 410501. The original Pin-style Links are no longer available.

WARRANTY:
None