

Technical Bulletin / Safety Alert

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Subject: DES Gaskets - Using Genuine OEM Components

Date: 15th April 2015

Applicable to: All VLI JUG-A-0, Driftrunner & Brumby Machines and Diesel Engine

Systems (DES) MDA DES 13017-2, MDR090376DES-10,

MDR074246DES-2 and MDR114991DES

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Note: Minimum PPE required to carry out any inspections contained in this TBSA shall be protective clothing & footwear, safety glasses, hearing protection & any site specific requirements. A JSA or equivalent should be carried out prior to performing these tasks.

Description:

It has come to the attention of VLI that some equipment owners / end users could be sourcing Diesel Engine System (DES) gaskets from suppliers other than VLI, which may negatively impact machine safety, reliability and performance as designed.

VLI draws attention to the following clause from AS/NZS 3584.3:2012:

3.2.7.2 Examinations

(e) All gaskets and sealing materials used on fixed connections and open joints to be replaced using parts specified by manufacturer on the diesel engine system documentation.

Recommendations:

It is the duty of VLI to inform all owners / end users of VLI supplied equipment that the use of non OEM components, including DES gaskets, may affect the design integrity and / or design registration compliance status of the equipment including safety critical systems.

VLI recommends the use of genuine VLI DES Gaskets only.

Please ensure this document is circulated to all relevant personnel within your organisation.

Should you have any further queries please contact your VLI Representative.

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