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**Date:** March 10, 2017  
**To:** All Branch Managers  
**From:** Gene Maddox   
Safety Director  
**Subject:** Branch Office Monthly Safety Meeting – March 2017

Company policy requires that each branch office hold a minimum of one safety meeting each month with the documentation of the material covered and the attendance being recorded on the “Monthly Safety Meeting Minutes and Attendance Record” (see attached form). **Please detach the Monthly Safety Meeting Minutes and Attendance Record, fill it out and e-mail or fax a copy to Lynn Eldridge.** *Please keep the original for your records.*

**NOTE: ONLY the Monthly Safety Meeting Minutes and Attendance Records is to be sent in.**

To assist you in complying with this requirement, the following subjects are for your Monthly Safety Meeting, for the month of March 2017. You may add topics, but please document the following topics:

1. News Briefs!!! (REGO Revised Field Advisory)
2. Safety Meeting: (10 Tips to Practice For Carbon Monoxide Safety)

It is recommended that you thoroughly read this material prior to your meeting.

**It is strongly recommended that you use the 3-ring binder to store the last 12 months of the Safety Meeting Minutes and Attendance Record Form!!! This material should be referred to or used to train new employees from the website. This manual should be kept in an area of the office that is easily accessible to all employees.**

**Be Smart...Be Safe and Be Courteous!!!**



**PROPANE**  
EXCEPTIONAL ENERGY

## **NEWS BRIEFS!!!**

(This monthly “column” will include short newsworthy topics, which will serve as a friendly reminder to us all)

### **REGO – Revised Field Advisory**

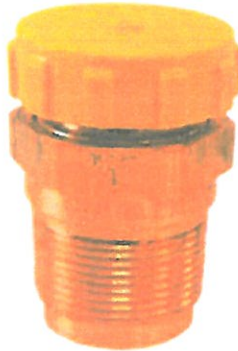
In the current advisory below, RegO is stating that they do not feel it necessary to replace the valves in the new tanks we have on the yard.

#### **REVISED FIELD ADVISORY**

**Supersedes RegO Field Advisory Issued on February 3, 2017**

**L7579 1-3/4” x 1-1/4” MNPT Filler Valve**

**Date Codes 8B16 to 1C17**



Some weeks have passed since we first received the reports of potential problems with the affected Filler Valves. During that time, we have been in contact with tank manufacturers and marketers alike and conducting internal testing to stay on top of the issue and to further gauge the actual scope of the problem. We are glad to be able to report that in the intervening weeks we have not received any reports of widespread problems with the Filler Valves and it appears the total number of valve that might be affected is only a very small percentage of the overall number of those covered by the Field Advisory issued on February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

In hindsight, which is always 20/20, RegO perhaps did not need to move so decisively to address these problems and create the resulting uncertainties. We apologize for any and all inconveniences. But our actions were driven by our concern for the safety of all of those who use our products and we can never regret pursuing safety first. We have revised the field advisory actions that should be taken, which does not require repair or replacement of valves installed in containers.

**Issue:**

We recently received reports where delivery personnel had difficulty disconnecting from the L7579 filler valve installed on ASME containers after the filling process has been completed. We have determined that the seat disc on the upper check may not fully return to the closed position due to interference with the guide in the upper body. The interference can create a leak in the upper check area making it potentially difficult to disconnect from the filler valve. If the hose end valve is disconnected while the L7579 filler valve covered by this advisory is in this condition, a leak to the atmosphere can occur creating a fire hazard.

**L7579 Showing Upper Check  
Open**



**L7579 Showing Upper Check  
Closed**



**Where L7579 Filler Valve is Used:**

The L7579 Filler Valve covered by this Field Advisory has been installed on 420# DOT and ASME cylinders and ASME horizontal containers from 120 to 1,000 gallons W.C.; this includes both new and reconditioned containers.

**How to Identify L7579 Filler Valves Which May Encounter an Issue:**

The dates of manufacture of the valves covered by this field advisory are August second week 2016 (8B16) to January third week 2017 (1C17).

**Date Code Identification**



| <u>Month</u>  | <u>Week</u>              | <u>Year</u> |
|---------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| 1 – January   | 11                       | 16 - 2016   |
| 8 – August    | B                        | 17 - 2017   |
| 9 – September | 16                       |             |
| 10 – October  | A – 1 <sup>st</sup> week |             |
| 11 – November | B – 2 <sup>nd</sup> week |             |
| 12 – December | C – 3 <sup>rd</sup> week |             |
|               | D – 4 <sup>th</sup> week |             |
|               | E – 5 <sup>th</sup> week |             |

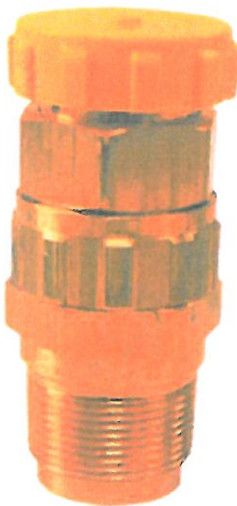
**Actions to take:**

1. We advise that you use a 3179 Filler Valve Adapter whenever you fill through an affected L7579 fill valve with date codes of 8B16 to 1C17, which is consistent with best industry practices for safety during every fill operation. If for some reason you did not use a 3179B fill adapter and have an issue disconnecting from any fill operation, please exercise extreme caution and follow your company procedures to prevent an accident.
2. Return any uninstalled valves covered by the field advisory to RegO immediately as a precaution.
3. **If you need RegO 3179B filling adapters we are willing to provide you a reasonable supply at no charge. Please contact RegO or an Authorized RegO Distributor to request adapters.**
4. **There is no need to repair or replace any valves installed on tanks unless you experience a failure—contact RegO immediately for instructions should you experience a failure of the affected filler valve.**

**Additional Information:**

L7579 Filler Valves made before 8B16 and after 1C17 dates of manufacture are not part of this advisory and are not affected. When filling into any 1-3/4" ACME filler valve not affected by this advisory, you should follow your company's established filling procedures.

It is a best practice to use filler hose adapters like the 3179B when conducting any filling operation into a 1-3/4" ACME filler valve. When a filler hose adapter is attached to the hose and valve connection during the filling process and there is a problem disconnecting due to leakage through the upper check, the 3179B or other type filler hose adapters can remain on the subject filler valve. This will allow the delivery person to safely disconnect the hose end valve from the filler hose adapter which will remain connected to the subject filler valve leak free.



**L7579 with 3179B  
adapter installed.**

If you have any questions about this advisory or to report a field issue, please contact:

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## **MARCH 2017 SAFETY MEETING**

### **10 Tips to Practice For Carbon Monoxide Safety**

Often called the silent killer, carbon monoxide (CO) is an invisible odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil and methane) burn incompletely.

In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn fuel can be sources of carbon monoxide. A person can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a longer period of time or by a large amount of CO over a shorter amount of time.

In 2010, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 80,100 non-fire CO incidents where carbon monoxide was found, or an average of nine calls per hour.

Have fuel-burning heating equipment and chimneys inspected by a professional every year before cold weather sets in. When using a fireplace, open the flue for adequate ventilation. Never use your oven to heat your home.

Here are 10 general safety tips to consider:

1. During and after a snowstorm, make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove, and fireplace are clear of snow build-up.
2. CO alarms should be installed in a central location outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home and in other locations where required by applicable laws, codes or standards. For the best protection, interconnect all CO alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound.
3. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for placement and mounting height.
4. Choose a CO alarm that has the label of a recognized testing laboratory.
5. Test CO alarms at least once a month; replace them according to the manufacturer's instructions.
6. If the audible trouble signal sounds, check for low batteries. If the battery is low, replace it. If it still sounds, call 911 to dispatch the fire department to ensure it is working properly and there is no problem.

7. If the CO alarm sounds, immediately move to a fresh air location outdoors or by an open window or door. Make sure everyone inside the home is accounted for. Call 911 from a fresh air location and stay there until emergency personnel arrive.
8. If you need to warm a vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately after starting it. Do not run a vehicle or other fueled engine or motor indoors, even if garage doors are open. Make sure the exhaust pipe of a running vehicle is not covered with snow.
9. A generator should be used in a well-ventilated location outdoors away from windows, doors and vent openings.
10. Gas or charcoal grills can produce CO – only use them outside.

**MARCH 2017**  
**MONTHLY SAFETY MEETING**  
**MINUTES & ATTENDANCE RECORD**

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time Started: \_\_\_\_\_ Time Finished: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructed By: \_\_\_\_\_ Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

**Subject Covered and Comments:**

1. REGO Revised Field Advisory: \_\_\_\_\_
2. 10 Tips to Practice For Carbon Monoxide Safety \_\_\_\_\_
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By my signature below, I certify that I attended and participated in this Safety Meeting and I understand the material presented.

| Employee Name (Please print) | Employee Signature | License Expires * | Endorsements** | DOT Physical Expires*** |
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*\*List driver's license expiration date in this column.*

*\*\*Check licenses for proper endorsements and re-testing (For example: "HazMat") List endorsements in this column.*

*\*\*\*List DOT physical expiration date in this column.*

By my signature below, I hereby certify that the employees listed above have been trained in accordance with the applicable regulation and curriculum for this monthly safety meeting.

Instructor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail or fax this sheet only to: Lampton-Love, Inc.**

**Gene Maddox/Lynn Eldridge**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_