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XIII. HEAVY TANDEM AXLES

The Canadian Region reports a major increase in activity on oil pumps for D440 and 480P axles. After very low volume for a period of years, they shipped 103 oil pump kits out of the branch in one quarter. Dealers are known to be removing pump parts from heads they rebuild and a key dealer in Western Canada has recently threatened to stock only SSHD's because of recurring pump failures in the 440. TCM will locate power dividers running at various mileages and return unfailed units for inspection of the system in a cross-section of wear rates. As a short term measure, production will be instructed via deviation to prime and LOCTITE pump drive gear nuts. The Canadian Region will be supplied sufficient qualified parts to changeout known problems and have reserve material.

Updated parts for 650's in CANADA and AUSTRALIA were completed and shipped in late August. TCM hopes to install their parts in REED PAPER vehicles rather than at OUTARDES.

XVI. TCM SUPPORT

Paul Pipik is attempting to visit the TCM regions as quickly as possible, show the flag and indicate that the Division remains fully committed to its service program.

XV. TRAINING PROGRAMS

Failure Analysis: Final slides and script delivered. 50 sets being duplicated.

Driver Training: Developing presentations for Don Harbin (TCM CANADA) for use at TRI-MAC on driver do's and don'ts on axle operation.

Brake Training: Slides duplicated, script being researched. Used at WAL-MART early this month.

A. BULLETINS

TSB and SPB on new shift unit being developed for September release.