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To: All Members
cc: The Quality and Technical Committee (1903)

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Dear Sir,

Reported problem on Montanari Divertor Pulleys

I enclose a copy of a letter from Liftmaterial (GB) Ltd to the British Lift Association which has been brought to my attention by a member company and which it is suggested should be circulated to all members for information.

Please be guided accordingly.

Yours faithfully,



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For the attention of Mr R.Lee (Director)

Dear Mr Lee

Reported problem on Motanari Divertor pullies

We have had an incident reported to us by a well respected independent lift Company, that five out of six overhead pullies supplied by Liftmaterial (GB) Ltd in June 1991, have been found with fractures in the castings between the spoke supports and outer rim. In addition to this incident a further case has been reported by the same Company of this fault occurring. In both cases the pullies have been employed as overhead wheels on bottom drive traction installations.

We are satisfied that the pullies have been supplied to the customers specification and within the manufacturers recommendation for duty and load criteria.

As these two incidents are the only reports that Liftmaterial (GB) Ltd have received indicating this fault, we can only assume that the fault is probably only associated to these particular installations or a particular product batch. As these pullies were supplied prior to Liftmaterial becoming a Quality Assured Registered Company we are unable to trace the batch supply for this period of manufacture.

Would you therefore be kind enough to inform the Association membership of these incidents and request that a diligent inspection is made on lift installation under the Memberships Servicing portfolio, that have Montanari pullies fitted, as the consequences of pullies collapsing could of course be very serious.

The manufacturer has been informed of these reported faults and has carried out an analysis of the castings and has found no fault in hardness factors. It must also be remembered that many hundreds of these pullies have been supplied over the last twenty years by Liftmaterials and other suppliers, and as far as Liftmaterials are aware, these two reports are isolated. We are concerned that where known to be fitted, a close inspection should be made on all Montanari manufactured pullies.

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Yours Sincerely
for Liftmaterial (GB) Ltd

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C.H. French', with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

C.H. French