

Health and Safety Executive OC 483/5

Field Operations Division

To

FCG Specialist Inspectors (Electrical)

DORMAN SMITH BRITMAC 13 AMP FUSE UNITS

Introduction

1 This OC draws attention to a potential danger associated with the removal or replacement of the fuse carriers of the above units when fitted with metal locking screws.

Background

2 The manufacturer has notified the Department of Health of a risk that the metal locking screws may become live during removal or insertion of the fuse carrier. Metal locking screws are fitted to the following types of unit:

AG 13SF, AG 13SFC, AG 13SFI, AG 13SFIC,

DG 13F, DG 13SFC, DG 13SFI, DG 13SFIC,

13 FU, and G 13FU.

The latter 2 units, manufactured after January 1984, can be identified by the manufacturer's logo moulded in. The logo is a capital B within a diamond.

3 When the fuse unit is dead and isolated the metal locking screws should be replaced with nylon screws. Nylon screws may be obtained from Britmac Ltd who are no longer part of the Dorman Smith Group. The address is:

Britmac Ltd,

Shelley Road,

Preston

PR2 2HU

Tel 0772 50711

4 Current items in these ranges are produced with nylon screws.

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