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**NHTSA Safety Recall
No. 14V-327**

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

November 11, 2014

Dear Stahl/Arbortech Owner,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act and Canada Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Stahl/Arbortech has decided, based on information from Muncie Power Products, that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain units mounted on Ford Super Duty F350-F550 Chassis with 6.8L gasoline engine and equipped with a Muncie FR67 Series Power Take Off built between June, 2009 and November 1, 2013. Over time, the pressure switch can develop a low volume transmission fluid leak and the exhaust thermal blanket can deteriorate causing it to absorb hydraulic oil or transmission fluid. A buildup of oil or transmission fluid on the thermal blanket may increase the possibility of a fire. Death or serious injury can result from a chassis fire.

Refer to Quality Alert QA 11-04 for parts and labor covered under the warranty policy. Stahl/Arbortech will supply, free of charge, a switch relocation kit and heat shield to correct this condition. The repair can be performed by the customer or you may contact Stahl/Arbortech at 1-800-277-8245 for further assistance.

For US owners: after contacting Stahl/Arbortech, if you are still not able to have the safety condition remedied within a reasonable time, you may write to: Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590 or call 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153) or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

For Canadian Owners: if you are still not able to have the safety condition remedied by your dealer within a reasonable time, please contact Stahl/Arbortech Customer Service at 1-800-277-8245.

If you had this repair performed before you received this letter, you may be eligible to receive reimbursement for the cost of obtaining a pre-notification remedy of the problem associated with this recall. If you have sold or retired the unit please call 1-800-277-8245 so the records may be changed.

If you have leased this equipment to another person or company, you are required by Federal Law to forward a copy of this notice to the lessee by first class mail within ten (10) days of the receipt of this notice.

We apologize for this inconvenience; however we are taking this action in the interest of your safety and continued satisfaction with Stahl/Arbortech products.

Thank you for your immediate attention on this important matter.

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Units Affected: Units mounted on Ford Super Duty F350-F550 Chassis with 6.8L gasoline engine, equipped with Muncie FR67 Series Power Take Off and built between June, 2009 and November 1, 2013 (see enclosed list.)

Pressure Switch and Exhaust Thermal Blanket Inspection

Stahl/Arbortech has been made aware of a possible issue concerning a pressure switch and exhaust thermal blanket (Figure 1) provided by the supplier of the power take off (PTO). Over time, the pressure switch can develop a low volume transmission fluid leak and the exhaust thermal blanket can deteriorate causing it to absorb hydraulic oil or transmission fluid. A buildup of oil or transmission fluid on the thermal blanket may increase the possibility of a fire. **Death or serious injury can result from a chassis fire.**

Stahl/Arbortech requires that the exhaust thermal blanket and pressure switch be inspected within 30 days of receipt of this Quality Alert. Use the procedure on Page 2 for this inspection.

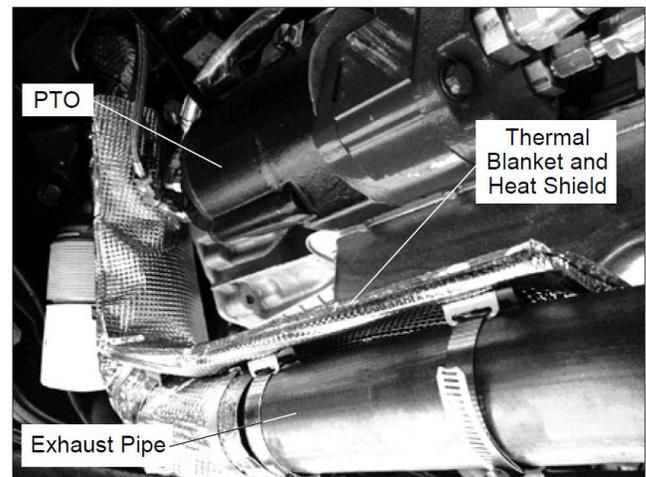


Figure 1 — Thermal Blanket

There is a Pressure Switch Relocation Kit, part number 43TK5532 available to move the switch away from the exhaust. This kit includes a new pressure switch, tubing, and adapters. If the exhaust thermal blanket fails the inspection and/or there is evidence of a pressure switch leak, remove the exhaust thermal blanket at the time of the inspection and install an improved Exhaust Heat Shield Kit, part number 970510446, within 30 days of removal of the exhaust thermal blanket. Pressure switches that pass the inspection must still have the Pressure Switch Relocation Kit installed at the next service interval.

Order the Pressure Switch Relocation Kit, part number 43TK5532 and Exhaust Heat Shield Kit, part number 970510446, by calling 1-800-277-8245.

This repair is covered under the Stahl/Arbortech Warranty Policy and can be performed by the customer's warranty provider. Stahl/Arbortech will allow up to \$50 for inspection and up to \$100 for labor to perform this repair. A warranty claim must be submitted for the cost of the labor.

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Inspection Procedure:

1. Position unit on a level surface, apply the parking brake and chock the wheels. Shut off engine and allow the chassis exhaust system to cool to the touch.
2. Using a mechanic's creeper, get under the chassis near the PTO on the driver's side of the transmission.
3. Find the thermal blanket that is attached with band clamps to the exhaust system near the PTO.
4. Use your hand to determine if the thermal blanket is wet with fluid. Look at the pressure switch to see if it is leaking transmission fluid. The pressure switch is located either on the front side of the PTO connected to a flexible tube (Figure 2) or on the side near the rear of the PTO connected to a formed tube (Figure 3.)

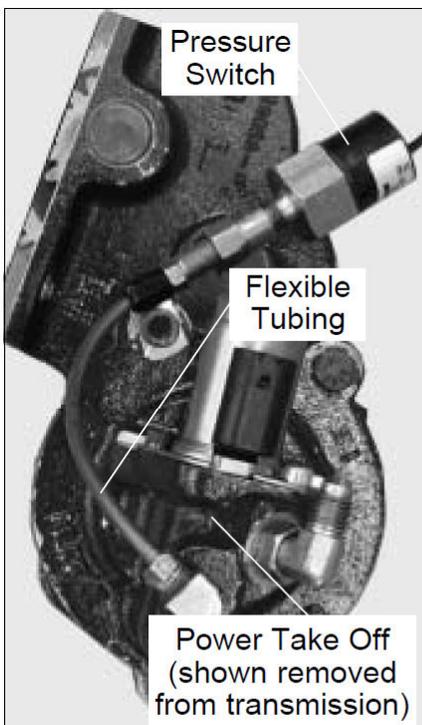


Figure 2 — Front Pressure Switch Location

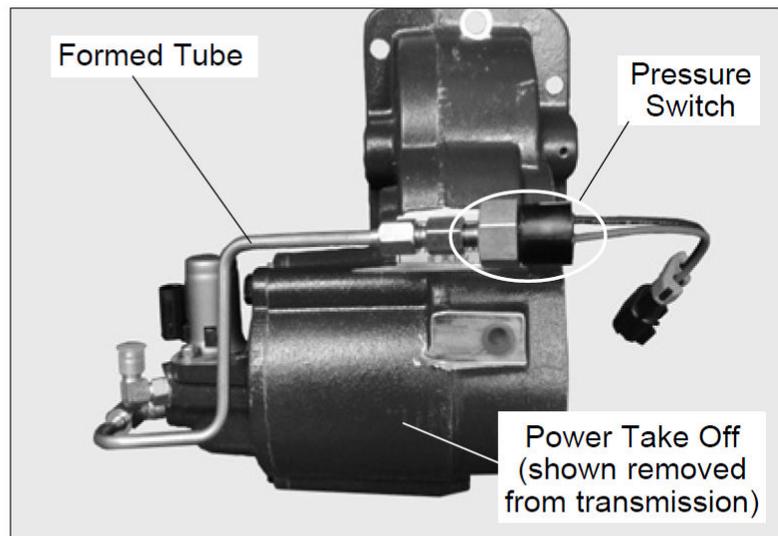


Figure 3 — Side Pressure Switch Location

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5. If inspection shows no evidence of fluid on the exhaust thermal blanket:

- Inspect this entire area of the unit for any active leaks or other sources of fluid. Make repairs as necessary.
- If no active leaks are identified, the unit can be returned to service, but replace the pressure switch at the next periodic service interval after the inspection is completed.

6. If inspection shows evidence of fluid on the exhaust thermal blanket:

- Remove and discard the exhaust thermal blanket immediately by removing the attachment clamps.
- Inspect this entire area of the unit for any active leaks or other sources of fluid. Make repairs as necessary.
- If no active leaks are identified, the unit can be returned to service, but replace the pressure switch and exhaust thermal blanket within 30 days after the inspection is completed.