



AMERICAN

FLOW CONTROL

THE RIGHT WAY

SUPPLEMENTAL SAFETY AND REMEDIATION NOTICE

AMERICAN has been very pleased with the remediation campaign so far, and with the help of its valued customers and distributors, a significant number of hydrant nozzles have been replaced. If you have not already done so, AMERICAN strongly recommends that you start your remediation program.

On May 16, 2016, AMERICAN Flow Control (AMERICAN) notified its customers and distributors of a safety issue involving certain nozzles contained in American-Darling fire hydrants manufactured from 2006 through 2011 (www.american-usa.com/product_alerts/nozzles). Before 2006, American-Darling hydrants used Amlok nozzles that do not present a safety issue.

In the process of finding and remediating hydrants, AMERICAN has discovered that a very small number of hydrants shipped in early 2006 had 2005 cast dates on the hydrant barrel, and yet may contain the nozzles subject to the safety notice. These hydrants are easily distinguished from other 2005 hydrants that used Amlok nozzles due to the presence of a nozzle retainer. Below are photographs showing the difference.



AMLOK Nozzle with Tab

Nozzle Subject to Notice with Nozzle Retainer Ring

AMERICAN has already located the majority of 2005-stamped hydrants without Amlok nozzles and has instructed the contractors to remediate those hydrants. As part of your remediation plan, AMERICAN requests that you do the following:

1. If you are changing the nozzles yourself, please inspect 2005 hydrants to determine if you have any 2005 non-Amlok hydrants. If you do, include them in your remediation program.
2. If an AMERICAN contractor is inspecting and remediating your hydrants confirm the contractor is aware of this supplemental safety notice.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact AMERICAN at 800-326-7082. As always we appreciate your business and are working hard to provide you the service you deserve.

Best Regards,

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