

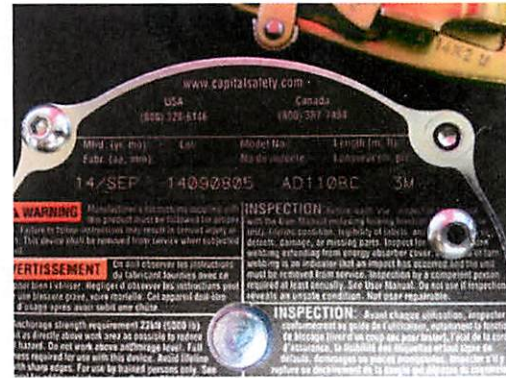


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LOSS PREVENTION SAFETY ALERT

NEAR MISS: REBEL PROTECTA SRL FEB 2015



RISK CLASSIFICATION: CRITICAL

PURPOSE: Corporate Wide Communication, Prevention & Awareness

REASON: Rebel Protecta Self Retracting Lifelines (SRL) need to be removed from service pending an investigation of bolt failures.

SUMMARY: A field worker was inspecting their Rebel Protecta SRL prior to use and noticed a bolt had sheared off. Upon further inspection and handling the entire SRL came apart in their hands. The incident was reported and other Rebel SRL's inspected. Another Rebel SRL of the same manufacturer date and lot number in the Lloydminster warehouse was inspected, a bolt came off with the pressure of a thumb (pictured above right)

CONSEQUENCES: The potential consequences for this incident are considered critical and immediately dangerous to life and health. Had the worker not preformed their pre use inspection this lifeline may have failed and resulted in serious injury or even a fatality.

IDENTIFIED CAUSES: Pending an investigation indicators point towards a manufacturer's defect.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- **ALL REBEL PROTECT SRL'S BE TAKEN OUT OF SERVICE IMMEDIATELY**
- Contact the warehouse to get alternate SRL's.
- Supervisors reinforce the importance of performing pre use inspections on ALL equipment.
- Loss Prevention recommends purchasing 3M SRL's that can be serviced and maintained in house.

Let's ensure that we avoid any future incidents such as this.