

# **October 1st, 2019**

# Field Advisory - Railroad Tank Car Valve Repair Kits

We have become aware of the sale of repair kits not made or supplied by Engineered Controls International LLC, the manufacturer of RegO ® valves, for the repair of RegO® TA7894 Series Angle Shutoff Valves and RegO®A8890S & A8890W Series Relief Valves for Railroad Tank Cars.

These repair parts are being sold in kit form and are marked with the REGO brand even though they have no relationship to us, the actual manufacturer of the valves, and are not genuine RegO® repair parts/kits. Further these kits do not contain detailed disassembly/ reassembly and testing instructions and the actual components are not made to our exacting standards or material specifications.

RegO® valves sold for use on RR Tank Cars are American Association of Railroads (AAR) certified and approved with genuine RegO® component parts not with "will fit" copies. The use of "will fit" copy repair parts/kits to repair our valves voids our warranty; it may put the design and actual performance of these valves in question, possibly creating safety issues.

Such "will fit" copy parts or kits that were not supplied by RegO® for repair of our valves are not sponsored or approved by us or determined to be suitable for use with RegO valves, regardless of claims by the kit supplier that they are equivalent or similar. They are not!

Use only genuine RegO® repair parts/repair kits for repair of our valves.

If you have any questions, please contact your Transquip representative.

Below is a copy of typical instruction sheet suppled with a genuine RegO® repair kit, if this type of instruction sheet is not included with the kit you receive it is not a genuine RegO® repair kit.

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WARNING: Installation,

disassembly, repair and maintenance MUST be performed only by qualified personnel. All gas MUST be evacuated from the system before starting repairs.

Installation, usage and maintenance of this product must be in compliance with all RegO® instructions as well as requirements and provisions of NFPA #54, NFPA #58, DOT, ANSI, all applicable federal, state, provincial and local standards, codes, regulations

Inspection and maintenance on a periodic basis is essential.

Be sure all instructions are read and understood before installation. operation and maintenance. These instructions must be passed along to the end user of the product.

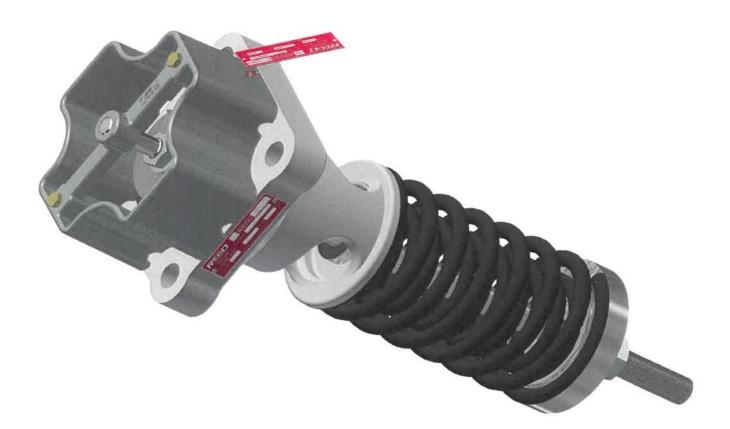
RegO Rail Tank Car equipment is AAR approved. If repaired, the continued validity of the AAR approval is contingent upon proper inspection to determine what needs to be repaired; proper repair using RegO OEM parts and procedures, proper testing for leakage and performance following repairs and installation.

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CAUTION: Contact or inhalation of liquid propane, ammonia and their vapors can cause serious injury or death! NH, and LP-Gas must be released outdoors in air currents that will insure dispersion to prevent exposure to people and livestock. LP-Gas must be kept far enough from any open flame or other source of ignition to prevent fire or explosion! LP-Gas is heavier than air and may not disperse or evaporate rapidly if released in still air.

# A8890S-50 Series Rebuild Kit for A8890S and A8890W Series Railcar Pressure Relief Valves



## **Disassembly and Rebuild Procedure**

CAUTION: READ THROUGH ALL OF THESE INSTRUCTIONS, INCLUDING THE NOTICE AND WARNINGS ON THE BACK OF THIS SHEET, BEFORE BEGINNING ANY DISASSEMBLY OR REPAIR.

NOTE: Repairs must be performed in a clean area. Hands, clothing, tools and work area must be completely free of oil, grease and foreign matter to prevent contamination of component parts and valves.

### **Normal Service**

Evacuate LP-Gas from tank prior to disassembling.

### Disassembly - See Figure 1 & 2

- 1. Remove valve from railcar and place on a stable work surface.
- Remove and discard cable and tie assembly from the 5/16" hex head cap screw.
- Remove and retain the two 5/16" hex head cap screws and stem guide.
- Using a 1-1/8" wrench and turning counterclockwise, remove and retain the 3/4" hex nut and washer that secures the upper poppet to the stem assembly.
- 5. Remove the upper poppet and retain.
- 6. Remove and discard the stem and poppet o-rings.
- 7. Clean threads below 1" jam nut with wire brush.
- 8. Using a 1-1/2" wrench and turning counterclockwise, remove and retain the 1" hex jam nut from the valve stem.
- Place valve in a press. Compress against spring retainer to compress springs.
- Remove and discard cable and tie assembly from the 1" hex adjusting nut and slowly back off.
- Slowly remove pressure from spring retainer and springs and remove from press.
- 12. Remove springs and spring retainer, retain.
- 13. Slowly remove lower poppet and stem assembly from body.
- Remove the 5/16" cap screws from the seat clamp ring. (For A8890W series valves only).
- Remove the seat clamp ring and seat. (For A8890W series valves only).

### Inspection

Note: Inspect all retained parts for signs of wear and deterioration. Pay special attention to the surface finish of the valve seat\*\* and stem\*\* as well as the condition of the springs\*\*, stem guide\*\* and bushing\*\*. Replace parts as necessary.

- Check stem straightness. Total indicated runout between lower poppet and 1" threads to be no greater than 0.125". Replace if non-conforming.
- Inspect weld at stem and lower poppet. Using dye penetrant testing, verify the integrity of the weld. If any cracks are observed, replace.
- For A8890W series valves, inspect seat weld. Using dye penetrant testing, verify the integrity of the weld. If any cracks are observed, replace.
- 4. Inspect the following for signs of pitting, nicks and/or corrosion:
  - a. Seat face.
  - Upper and lower poppet O-ring grooves.

Damage in these areas can cause improper sealing of the valve. During testing, if set pressure cannot be obtained, replace ALL damaged components listed above.

- Inspect the springs for signs of corrosion. If detected, replace the relief valve springs.
- Inspect the bore of the stem guide and bushing. If the inner diameter of the stem guide is greater than .688", replace. If the inner diameter of the bushing is greater than 1.018", replace.

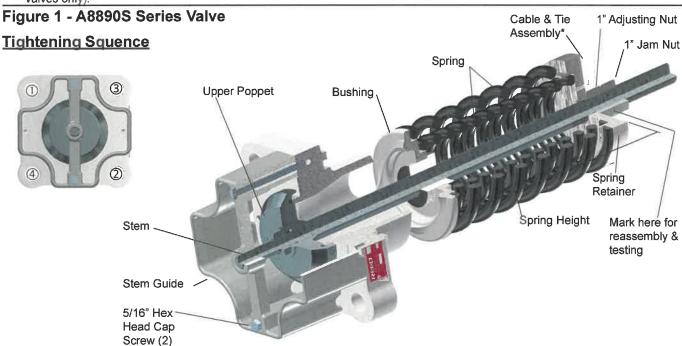
### Reassembly-See Figures 1 & 2.

Note: Where lubrication is noted use Parker Super-O-Lube® or compatible silicon based grease.

## 1. (For A8890W Series valves only)

Apply lubricant liberally to underside of seat clamp ring. Apply a thin strip of Loctite 242° thread locking compound to threads of the 5/16" cap screws. Install seat clamp and secure with the 5/16" cap screws, turning clockwise, torque 150-160 in-lbs.

2. Coat the o-ring seat area on stem with lubricant (do not get



- \* These items form the A8890S-50 Series Kits, recommended for rebuilds.
- \*\* Must be ordered separately from RegO®

Rain Cap and Cable & Tie Assembly\* (Not Shown)

- on threads) and install stem o-ring onto stem.
- Apply lubricant to outside of stem o-ring.
- Stretch poppet o-ring to ensure snug fit inside upper poppet.
- Apply a liberal amount of lubricant to the poppet o-ring and install in the upper poppet.
- Install upper poppet with o-ring onto stem assembly. Apply Loctite 242<sup>®</sup> thread locking compound to stem threads and secure upper poppet to lower poppet with 3/4" hex nut and washer. Torque to 50-60 ft-lbs.
- Paying special attention not to contact the seat, slowly reinstall the stem assembly through the bushing until the poppet o-ring contacts the seat.
- 8. Apply non-detergent grease to stem threads.
- Reinstall the springs and spring retainer. Align spring ends so they start 180° apart.
- Install the valve in a press (recommended), compress spring retainer to compress the springs to a height of 9.63". See figure 1.
- 11. Using ONLY the 1" adjusting nut, engage until nut contacts spring retainer.

# DO NOT INSTALL 1" HEX JAM NUT UNTIL AFTER TESTING IS COMPLETE.

- 12. Reinstall spring guide using two 5/16" hex head cap screws. Torque to 150-160 in-lbs.
- Tighten the bolt studs & nuts gradually in an alternate and opposite sequence around the flange. Follow the sequence shown in Figure 1 Tightening Sequence.

### **Testing**

NOTE: Valve should be tested <u>no sooner</u> than 4 hours after assembly to allow for proper seat compression.

- 1. Attach valve to test fixture.
- Fill spring guide with water and observe pressure gauge as pressure is raised. After pressure is raised to within 25 psi of the set pressure marked on the valve, begin to increase

- pressure at a rate no greater than 2 psi per second, until the first bubbles through the water seal are observed. If bubbles do not appear at proper start-to-discharge pressure, tighten or loosen the adjusting nut until bubbles indicate proper setting.
- After correct start-to-discharge pressure is reached, shut off inlet pressure, observe and note at what pressure valve seals off. Valve must reseal by 80% of start-to-discharge setting.
- 4. Exhaust air pressure and remove valve from fixture.
- Now that the valve is set, measure the spring height.
  - For valves with set pressures of 225, 247.5 & 280.5 psi: the spring height must not be less than 7 3/8".
  - For valves with a set pressure of 300 psi: the spring height must not be less than 8 3/4".

NOTE: If the spring height is less than these, the valve must be disassembled and <u>both</u> springs must be replaced.

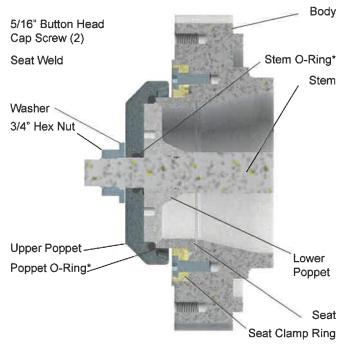
- Install and tighten 1" hex jam nut, being careful not to turn the adjusting nut.
- 7. Install a new cable and tie assembly onto one of the 5/16" hex head cap screw and around the adjacent arm on the stem guide. Install new cable and tie assembly onto the 1" adjusting nut, looping the free end of cable through the hole in the spring retainer, around coil of inner spring, back through hole in spring retainer, and then back through the tie. Proper cable and ties assembly installation is shown in figure 1.

### **Emergency Field Repair**

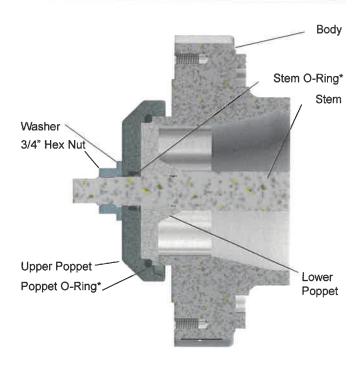
NOTE: "Emergency Field Repair" is considered repair and/or replacement of any resilient components while the valve is installed on a pressurized tank car. This procedure should be performed only when ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY and when evacuating the tank car is impractical. Take caution during this repair and avoid open flames, as it is possible that some product vapor will escape. The venting of SOME product during the repair procedure is normal.

Inspect all retained parts for signs of wear and deterioration. Replace parts as necessary.

Figure 2 - Poppet & Stem Assembly



A8890W Series



A8890S Series

- Remove and discard cable and tie assembly from the 5/16" hex head cap screw.
- Remove and retain the two 5/16" hex head cap screws and 2. stem auide.
- Using a 1-1/8" wrench and turning counterclockwise, SLOWLY remove the 3/4" hex nut and washer that secures the upper poppet. Remove upper poppet.

NOTE: Before completely removing the nut & washer, note the amount of product vapor escaping (if any) from the seat. If the amount is excessive or progressively getting worse, retighten the nut and perform a normal service after the tank is evacuated.

- Remove & discard the stem o-ring and poppet o-ring.
- Coat the o-ring seat area on stem with lubricant (do not get on threads) and install stem o-ring onto stem.
- Apply lubricant to outside of stem o-ring.
- Stretch poppet o-ring to ensure snug fit inside upper poppet. Apply a liberal amount of lubricant to the poppet o-ring and install in the upper poppet.
- Install upper poppet and o-ring onto stem and lower pop-

- pet assembly and secure with the 3/4" hex nut and washer. Torque to 50-60 ft-lbs.
- Reinstall spring guide with two 5/16" hex head cap screws. Torque to 150-160 in-lbs.
- 10. Install new cable and tie assembly onto 5/16" hex head cap screw and around the adjacent arm on the stem guide. See figure 1.

### NOTICE

LP-Gas is extremely flammable and explosive. Failure to install parts exactly as described in the instructions could result in a product that will not perform satisfactorily. Even if parts are correctly installed, the product might fail to perform satisfactorily, if other parts are worn, corroded or dirty. Improper repair can cause leaks and malfunction, which could result in bodily injury and property damage. Any such use or installation of parts must ONLY be done by experienced and trained personnel using accepted governmental and industrial safety procedures.

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NOTE TO AUSTRALIAN PURCHASERS: The following applies if you purchased this product as a "consumer" as defined in the Australian Consumer Law. Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law. Vou are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure. Information regarding how to return a product and make a claim under this Limited Warranty is set forth below.

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### NOTICE TO USERS OF PRODUCTS

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