



Network Rail
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Elder Gate
Milton Keynes
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Network Rail Safety Bulletin

OLE CAST DOUBLE CLEVIS BODY 146/008/001 ('808' FITTING)

For the attention of OLE Maintenance Delivery Units, Overhead Condition Renewals Team, Construction and Design Contractors.

Background:

A previous safety bulletin (IGS 266) has referred to failures of the above cast component. No further progress has been made with the manufacturer regarding the investigation of the failure mode of the component.

The Product Acceptance for this item has been suspended until such time as the investigation is complete and Network Rail is satisfied that the failure will not reoccur.

Immediate Action Required by all persons affected:

Cast double clevises, OLEMI reference 126/008/001 to 126/008/009 inclusive, all of which use the suspect clevis body, are not to be used for new installation or routine maintenance works. The "high strength" version, 126/803/001 or 126/803/002, can be used in place of these components. Trial acceptance has been granted for the new machined version of the "standard" clevis body (PADS reference 091/012515) for OCR usage only, which if successful will be rolled out for national use.

Works involving existing components fitted in the line shall be carried out in accordance with the actions specified in IGS 266.

Existing components in stock may be used for emergency response works only until further notice.

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