CAUTION NOTICE #1 26, April, 1991

SUBJECT

POSSIBLE LOOSENING OF LATCH CATCH ASSEMBLY PLUNGER (P/N 550-016), SCREW (P/N 530-205), AND SPRING (P/N 535-801) on the SuperLite 17A/B Helmet.

BACKGROUND

Three SuperLite 17A/B helmets have had the plunger (P/N 550-016) on the Latch Catch Assembly (P/N 505-015) loosen from its mating screw (P/N 530-205). The Neck Clamp/Yoke Assemblies (P/N 505-006) did not open as the plunger (P/N 550-016) serves as a secondary locking device, the Handle Bail seating area in the Latch Catch Body (560-034) holds the Handle Bail in place.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Refer to your KIRBY-MORGAN SUPERLITE-17A/B HELMET OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE MANUAL page 48, section 6.5.2.1. READ #'s 1, 2 & 3. If the screw (11) in your Latch Catch Assembly is capable of unscrewing with minimal force, (see #3), proceed with #4 and then proceed with section #6.5.2.2. If the screw will not unscrew after using little or no force, do not proceed any further. IF YOU HAVE UNSCREWED THE SCREW EVEN THE SLIGHTEST AMOUNT, PROCEED TO SECTION 6.5.2.2!

If you are not confident regarding your ability to perform these procedures and would like to have DSI inspect your Latch Catch Assembly, refer to page 47, section 6.5.1.1 #1, remove your Latch Catch Assembly and send it to DSI. We will inspect, and if necessary, repair it at no cost to the owner.