SAFETY BULLETIN 160502

IMPORTANT NOTICE DATED 05/02/2016

PLEASE READ

Subject: Potential Improper Makeup of Industrial Nuts and certain Female Components

To: Customers who have Received ½” Industrial Pipe Unions

Kemper Valve and Fittings (KVF) sells two versions of its 1/2” INDUSTRIAL UNION. They are sold and shipped in assembled sets. The COMPONENT PARTS (Male, Female, and Nut) are NOT INTERCHANGEABLE between the two versions. Doing so can lead to an improper make-up condition and can lead to leaking. Pictures of the two versions are attached. The differences between these two versions can be easily determined visually. Version 1 has a dark matte finish on all three components. Version 2 has a shiny, plated Nut and machined Male and Female component sealing surfaces.

KVF is not aware of any instance where components from these two versions have been interchanged. Nonetheless, the potential to improperly interchange components exists and customers should take precautions to insure that they DO NOT MIX components from THE TWO VERSIONS.
COMPONENTS

DO NOT MIX OR INTERCHANGE COMPONENTS
ACTION: KVF has determined that there is no imminent danger of improper make-up when proper assembly techniques are followed. Nonetheless, the preservation of the established confidence in KVF and its support of its products and the safety of KVF’s customers and employees are our highest priorities. Therefore we ask that if you have KVF ½” Industrial Unions, of different versions, you should take measures to properly identify, separate, and insure segregation of them. Pictures of the two versions are attached (pages 1 and 2) so that you can visually detect the differences.

RESOLUTION: Version 2 of ½” Industrial Unions is no longer offered for sale. Tabbed Orifice Cup ½” Industrial Unions are not currently available for sale.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact your KVF Sales Representative or the Quality Manager:

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