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SAFETY BULLETIN

To All Fillers of Propane Cylinders:

Manchester Tank has identified a thread seal issue on 100# cylinders manufactured between January 2012 and September 2012. This issue can result in leaks at the valve to cylinder connection. This potential leak issue only involves 100# DOT cylinders with a single vapor POL valve. It does not involve cylinders of other sizes or liquid service or multivalve cylinders. This issue only involves 100# cylinders with a date stamp between 1-12 and 10-12.

When asked to fill a 100# Manchester cylinder, follow these steps:

1. Before filling, inspect the date stamp of any Manchester Tank 100# cylinders you may encounter. If the date falls between 1-12 and 10-12, check the handwheel on the valve. If the center of the handwheel contains a green dot, the cylinder has been re-inspected and corrected by Manchester Tank as needed. A cylinder with the green dot on the handwheel may be filled and used with the same safety precautions as any propane cylinder. If there is no green dot on the center of the handwheel, proceed to steps 2 or 3 as applicable.
2. If the cylinder has been filled previously, carefully check the threaded connection where the service valve is installed into the cylinder for leaks before re-filling. If no leak is found and the cylinder is re-filled, the valve connection to the cylinder should again be leak tested before transport to ensure the container is leak free. If a leak is found, please call Manchester Tank at: 615-370-6312 to report the issue and Manchester will arrange for repair or replacement of the cylinder.
3. If the cylinder has not been filled previously, please contact Manchester Tank at 800-640-6327 for additional information before filling. **DO NOT FILL THE CYLINDER BEFORE CONTACTING MANCHESTER TANK.**

All cylinders must be carefully inspected and leak checked each time they are filled regardless of cylinder size or when made. However, we ask that you exercise particular care in leak testing those 100# cylinders with a date stamp range between 1-12 and 10-12. This date stamp is located on the collar of the cylinder above the Tare Weight stamp.

For any questions or concerns, please contact Manchester Tank at 800-640-6327.