



**KINECTRICS NORTH AMERICA INC. TEST REPORT
FOR 774-KCMIL 3M™ COMPOSITE CONDUCTOR**

Test Name: SUSTAINED LOAD TEST ON COMPRESSION DEADEND FITTING
FOR 774-KCMIL 3M™ COMPOSITE CONDUCTOR AT ROOM
TEMPERATURE

Test Date: September 16-23, 2005

Cable Supplier: 3M Company

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Standard: Based on ANSI C119.4-2003, Paragraph 7.3.3.1

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OBJECTIVE

3M contracted with Kinectrics under PO # 1600000 to conduct a room temperature sustained load test on a full tension, compression deadend clamp manufactured by ACA Conductor Accessories (formerly Alcoa-Fujikura Ltd.). The objective of the test was to verify the room temperature sustained load carrying capability of the compression deadend clamp on a 774-kcmil 3M™ Composite Conductor. The ACA catalogue number of the deadend is B9178-L (special design for 3M Conductor). The rated tensile strength (RTS) of the conductor is 32,210 kgf (71,010 lbf). The specifications for the conductor are shown in Appendix A and an engineering drawing of the dead-end assembly is shown in Appendix B. 3M owns all data and copyright to this information.

TEST SAMPLE

The test sample was prepared by ACA Conductor Accessories at their facilities. The sample

comprised a full tension compression deadend installed on one end of a 774-kcmil 3M™ Composite Conductor approximately 14 m (46 ft) in length. The sample was shipped to Kinectrics where the other end of the conductor was terminated with an epoxy-resin clamp.

TEST SET-UP

The test sample was installed in a hydraulically-activated horizontal test machine. The length of exposed conductor between the inboard face of the epoxy-resin clamp and the edge of the ACA Conductor Accessories compression deadend was about 12.5 m (41 ft). The set-up is shown in Figure 1.

INTRUMENTATION

The load cell (#17356-0) in the test machine (MTS 3156/MTS 493.01DC) that measured the tension was last calibrated in May 2005 and is due for calibration in May 2006. The data logger (#CA1C1A) that recorded the load cell measurements was last calibrated in January 2005 and is due for calibration in January 2006. The load measuring system has an accuracy of $\pm 2\%$.

TEST PROCEDURE

A test machine having a load accuracy of $\pm 2\%$ was used for this test. The conductor was preloaded to 1,000 lbf (454 kgf) or about 1.4% of the rated tensile strength (RTS) of the conductor (RTS = 71,010 lbf, 32,210 kgf). The tension in the sample was increased from preload to 54,678 lbf (24,802 kgf) or 77% of the conductor RTS in about ten(10) minutes. The tension was maintained at this level for 168 hours. The elongation of the conductor over an 8.06 m gauge length was also measured and recorded during the test using a pull wire potentiometer. The ambient temperature in the laboratory was approximately 22°C during the test. On completion of the sustained load test, the tension in the sample was increased until failure.

TEST RESULTS

The conductor sample failed at 14,989 kgf (33,044 lbf), or 102.6% of the RTS of the conductor. The conductor failed at approximately the midpoint of the span. The failure is shown in Figures 1 and 2.

Figure 3 shows the conductor strain (%) and tension (kgf) plotted against elapsed time during the sustained load phase. Most of the strain (approximately 0.40%) of the conductor occurs during the initial tensioning of the conductor. Approximately 0.023% strain occurred during the remainder of the test.

ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

To qualify under the ANSI standard, a connector must hold 77% of the conductor's rated tensile strength (RTS) for seven days (168 hours). At the end of the sustained load period, the residual strength must exceed 95% of the conductor RTS.

CONCLUSION

The 774-kcmil 3M™ Composite Conductor deadend clamp exceeded the 95% RTS strength criterion specified in ANSI C119.4-2003.

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Figure 1 Room Temperature Sustained Load Test sample (post-test) of an ACA Conductor Accessories Deadend attached to a 774-kcmil 3M™ Composite Conductor (Looking South). Conductor and Dead-end were stressed for 168 hours under the Sustained Load at Room Temperature and then tested to failure in tension. Failure was at the mid-span.

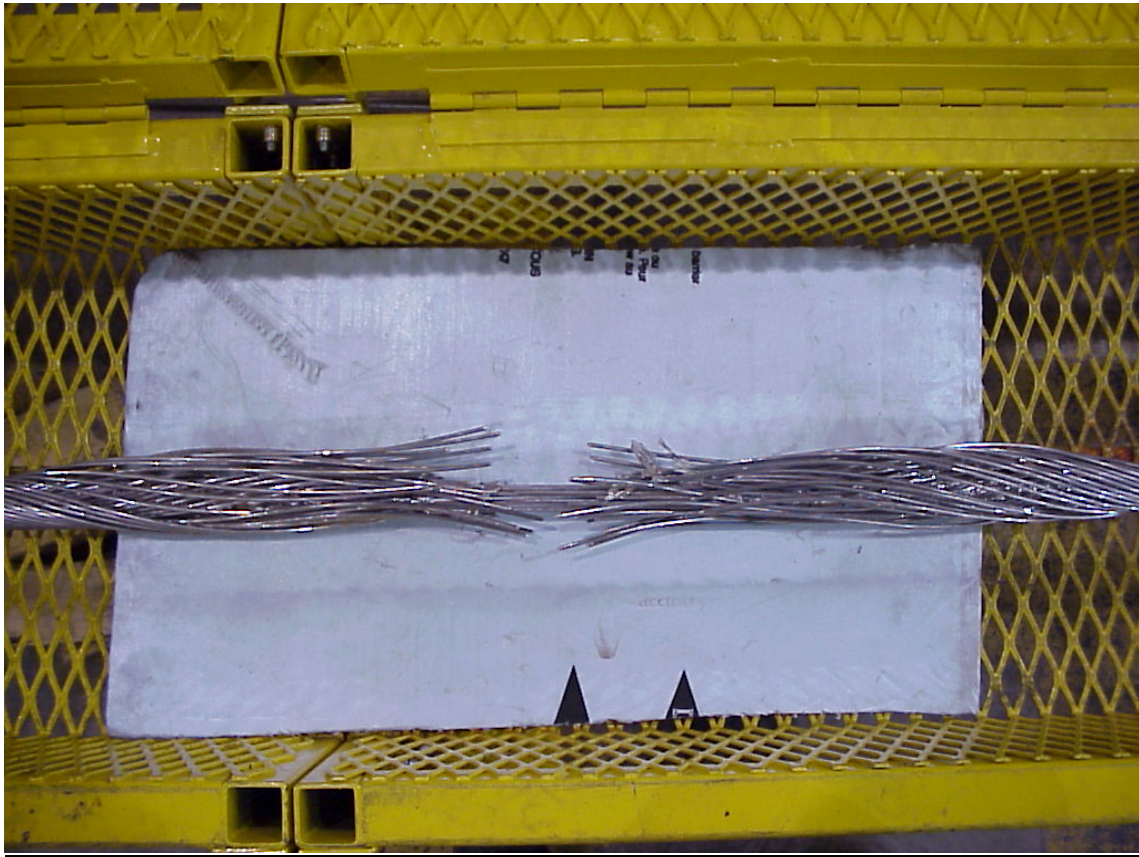


Figure 2 774-kcmil 3M™ Composite Conductor after the Tension Test to Failure. Conductor and dead-end were stressed for 168 hours under Sustained Load at Room Temperature (Close-Up view)

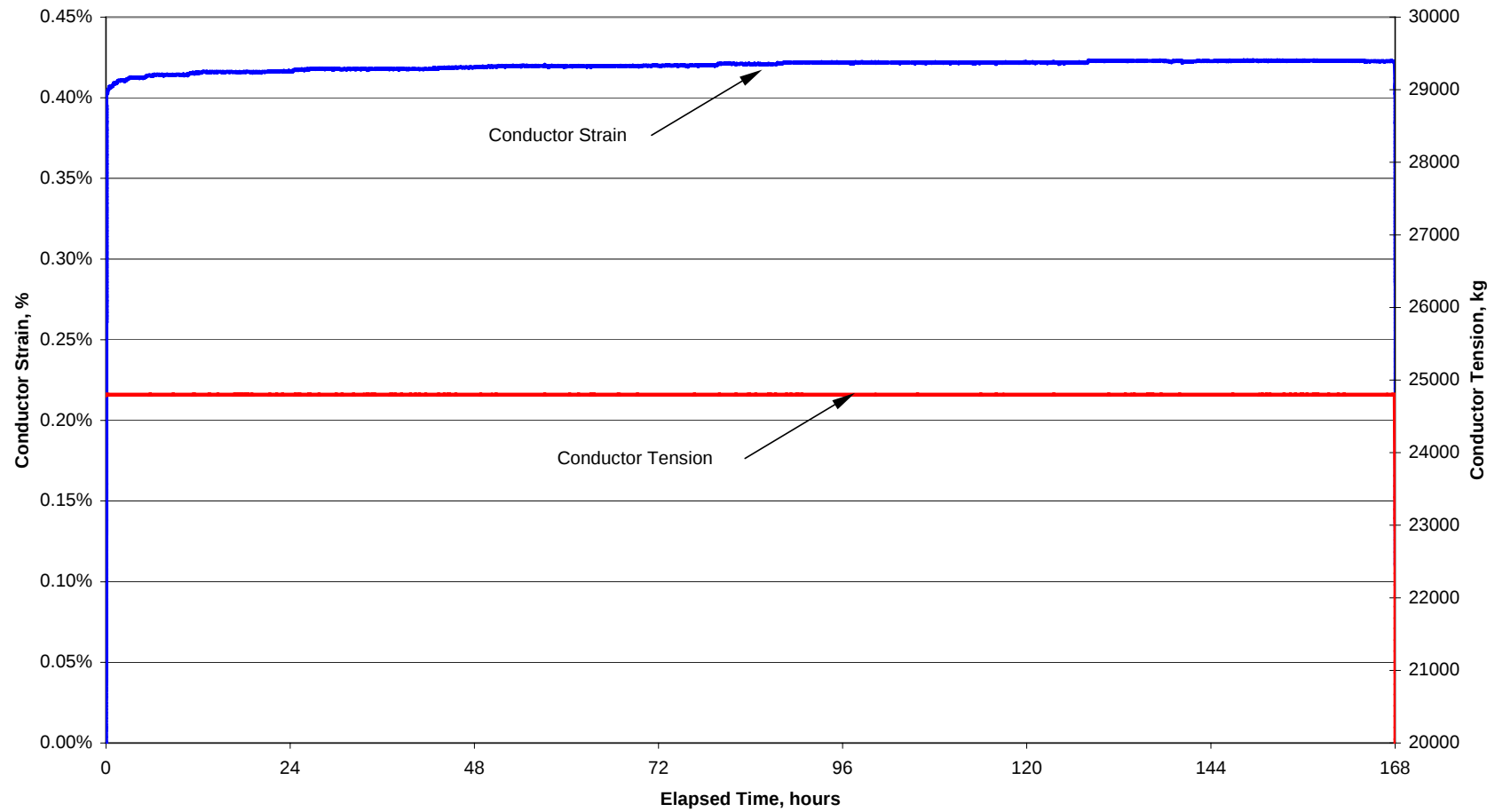


Figure 3 Conductor Strain and Tension vs. Elapsed Time for 774-kcmil 3M™ Composite Conductor Sustained Load Test at Room Temperature

APPENDIX A

Specifications for 774-kcmil 3M™ Composite Conductor

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Conductor Physical Properties

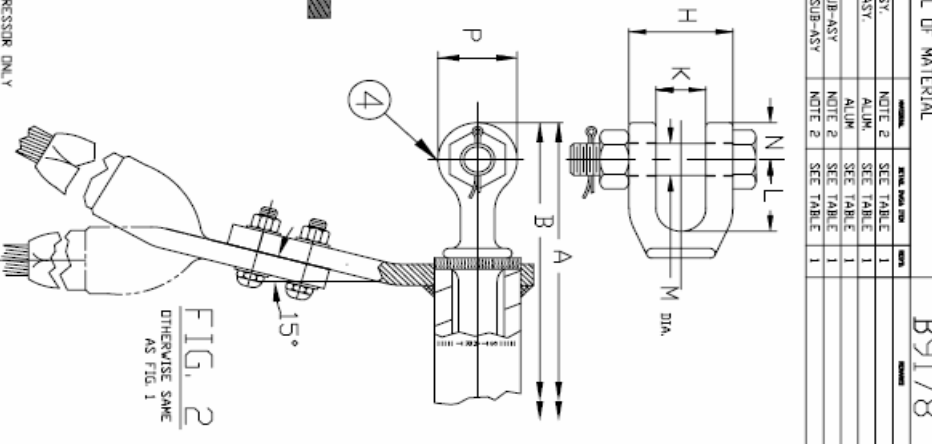
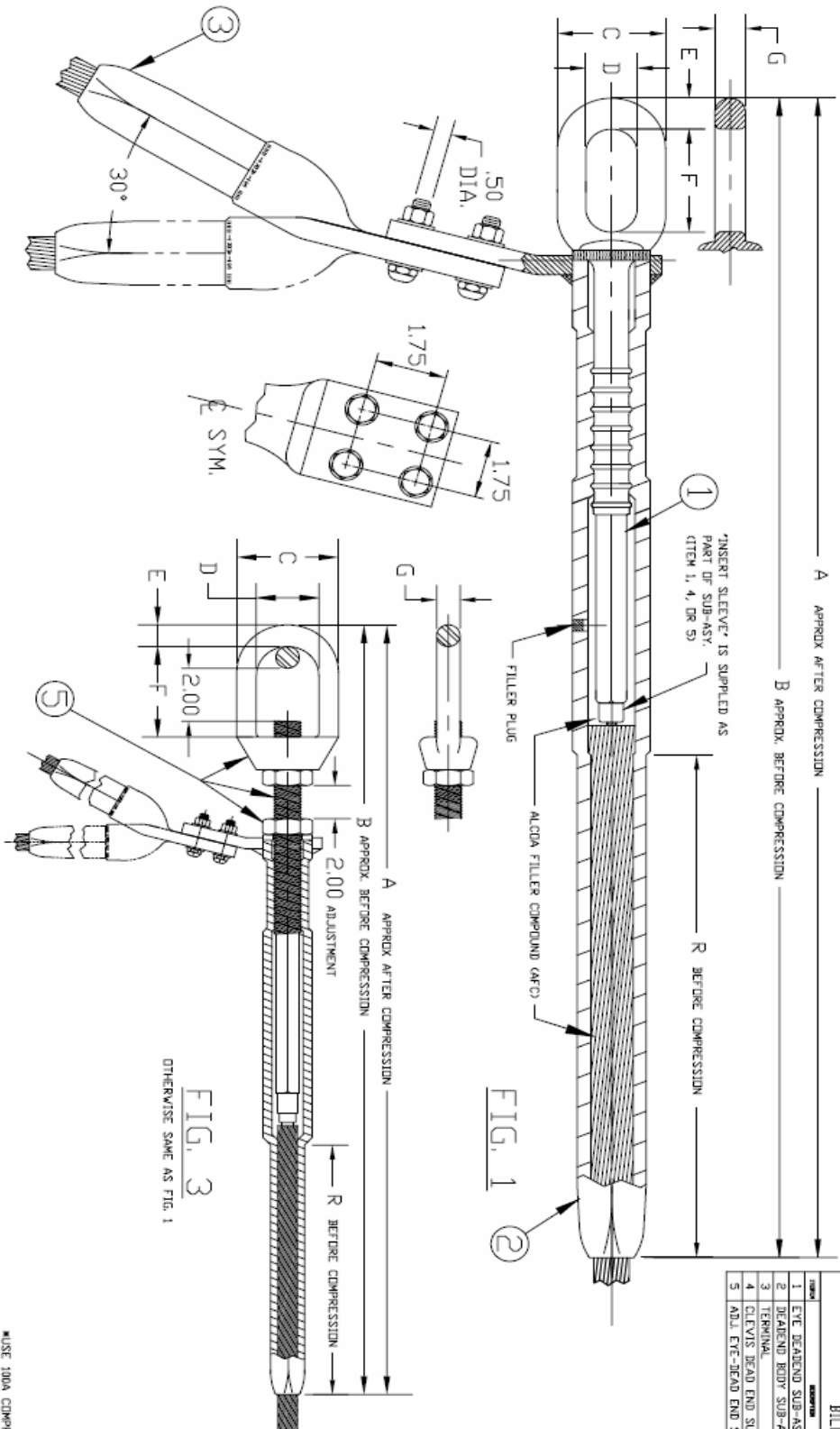
Designation		ACCR_774-T53
Stranding		46/37
kcmils	kcmil	774
Area Fraction Core	%	34.52%
Weight Core	lb/ft	0.48
Diameter		
indiv Core	in	0.105
indiv Al	in	0.130
Core	in	0.735
Total Diameter	in	1.254
Area		
Al	in^2	0.6077
Total Area	in^2	0.9280
Weight	lbs/linear ft	1.202
Breaking Strength		
Core	lbs	57,885
Aluminum	lbs	13,125
Complete Cable	lbs	71,010
Modulus		
Core	msi	32.9
Aluminum	msi	8.8
Complete Cable	msi	17.1
Thermal Elongation		
Core	10 ⁻⁶ /C°	6.35
Aluminum	10 ⁻⁶ /C°	23.00
Complete Cable	10 ⁻⁶ /C°	11.96
Heat Capacity		
Core	W-sec/ft-C	84
Aluminum	W-sec/ft-C	272

Conductor Electrical Properties

Resistance		
DC @ 20C	ohms/mile	0.0970
AC @ 25C	ohms/mile	0.0993
AC @ 50C	ohms/mile	0.1091
AC @ 75C	ohms/mile	0.1190
Geometric Mean Radius	ft	0.0366
Reactance (1 ft Spacing, 60hz)		
Inductive Xa	ohms/mile	0.4013
Capacitive X'a	ohms/mile	0.0876

APPENDIX B

Drawing for ACA Conductor Accessories full-tension splice, part number B9178-L, for 774-kcmil 3M™ Composite Conductor
(reproduced with permission from ACA Conductor Accessories)



ITEM#	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
1	EYE DEADEND SUB-ASY.	NOTE 2	SEC TABLE		
2	DEADEND ROYV SUB-ASY.	ALUM.	SEC TABLE		
3	TERMINAL	SEC TABLE	ALUM		
4	CLEVIS DEAD END SUB-ASY	NOTE 2	SEC TABLE		
5	ADJ EYE-DEAD END SUB-ASY	NOTE 2	SEC TABLE		

ASTM L.R.	CONDUCTOR SIZE	DIA.	FIG.	DIMENSIONS IN INCHES																ITEMS PER BILL OF MATERIAL					*BATCH COMPONENT		WEIGHT IN POUNDS					
				A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	K	L	M	N	P	R	1	2	3	4	5	ALUM.	STEEL	DEAD END APPROX. AMT. OF LBS.	TERRINAL APPROX. AMT. OF LBS.		TOTAL APPROX. AMT. OF LBS.				
A	4/7W 26/7 ACOR	.858	1	31.56	29.06	2.6	1.25	.88	6.69	.75	—	—	—	—	—	12.00	B9098-A	B9098-A	B9102-A	—	—	100304H	10014SH	.67	2/3 TUBE	.30	1/3 TUBE	1.0	1 TUBE	3.6	8.6	
B	7/59W 26/19 ACOR	1.108	1	33.31	30.56	3.25	1.25	1.12	8.62	1.00	—	—	—	—	—	13.75	B9098-B	B9098-B	B9102-B	—	—	100404H	10018SH-LG	1.0	1 TUBE	.54	1/2 TUBE	1.5	1 1/2 TUBES	10.5	16.5	
C	12/72W 54/19 ACOR	1.381	2	33.00	36.38	—	—	—	—	—	3.69	1.56	2.88	1.25	1.44	2.88	16.88	B9099-A	B9102-C	B9118-A	—	—	100404H	10020SH-LG	1.3	1 1/3 TUBE	.66	2/3 TUBE	2.0	2 TUBES	15.4	27.7
D	4/77 1/3 ACOR 7/1W	.860	1	31.65	29.06	2.65	1.25	.88	6.69	.75	—	—	—	—	—	12.00	B9098-A	B9099-D	B9102-D	—	—	100304H	10020SH-LG	.67	2/3 TUBE	.30	1/3 TUBE	1.0	1 TUBE	5.5	8.5	
E	6/75-11 ACOR 6/1W	.902	1	32.56	29.54	2.65	1.25	.88	6.69	.75	—	—	—	—	—	12.88	B9098-A	B9099-E	B9102-E	—	—	100344H	10014SH	.67	2/3 TUBE	.30	1/3 TUBE	1.0	1 TUBE	7.3	10.3	
F	9/54-113 ACOR 7/1W	1.200	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
G	10/33-113 ACOR 7/1W	1.240	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
H	5/50-113 ACOR 7/1W	.860	1	31.56	29.06	2.62	1.25	.88	6.69	.75	—	—	—	—	—	12.00	B9098-A	B9099-A	B9102-H	—	—	100304H	10014SH	.67	2/3 TUBE	.30	1/3 TUBE	1.0	1 TUBE	5.5	8.5	
K	11/13-113 ACOR 7/1W	1.290	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
L	7/74-1/3 ACOR 7/1W	1.254	3	32.00	29.38	3.56	312	1.25	4.00	1.25	—	—	—	—	—	18.00	—	B9099-L	B9102-L	—	—	B9225-A	1002504H	10024SH-LG	4	TUBE	.76	3/4 TUBE	4.75	4 3/4 TUBES	—	—

NOTES:

1. IDENTIFICATION SHALL CONSIST OF THE WORD "ACA", CONDUCTOR SET, DIE SIZE, AND ASSEMBLY DRAWING AND LETTER.
2. EYE DEADEND ITEM 1 SHALL CONSIST OF A STEEL EYE FORGING, FELT WASHER, AND ALUMINUM INSERT SLEEVE.
3. CLEVIS DEADEND ITEM 4A SHALL CONSIST OF STEEL CLEVIS FORGING, FELT WASHER, AND ALUMINUM INSERT SLEEVE.
4. ADJUSTABLE EYE DEAD END ITEM 2 SHALL CONSIST OF A THREADED SHIRT, EYE NUT, JAM NUTS, FELT WASHER AND ALUMINUM INSERT SLEEVE.
5. DEADEND BODY ITEM 2B SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING ALUMINUM PARTS: BARREL, TONGUE, AND FILLER PLUG.

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