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Subject: Safety Warning Concerning Centrifugal Brake Components for Avanti Lifts equipped with Hoist M508

Dear Customer,

Following a recent report concerning asbestos traces in brake components for lifts from another manufacturer, we have initiated a comprehensive review and investigation of our own similar products.

All our suppliers are contractually required to deliver asbestos-free products. However, as a result of the above-mentioned report, we have decided to request updated confirmations from all our suppliers that the brake components they supply to us are free of asbestos. Further, we have decided to conduct independent laboratory tests on relevant brake components.

Our lifts have two types of brake systems; electromagnetic brakes, used in normal operation, and centrifugal brakes, used to descend the lift in emergency operation when the lift cannot be electrically powered.

Our findings confirm that all components in our electromagnetic brakes are asbestos-free.

As for the brake components for centrifugal brakes, all our suppliers have again confirmed that the components are asbestos-free as contractually required. The results from the laboratory tests have however revealed that the centrifugal brake used in the M508 hoist, sourced from a Chinese supplier, contains asbestos.

Since the centrifugal brake is only used in emergency situations it means that it is activated very rarely. Furthermore, the brake pad, containing asbestos, is housed inside a sealed enclosure. It does therefore not cause any health risk to use the lift in normal operation or to install and commission the lift.

To substantiate this, we have conducted two ambient air tests and had them analysed by an external laboratory. These tests have been made of the air inside our test facility both when the lift is active in normal operation (i.e. without the centrifugal brake being activated) and when the centrifugal brake has been activated. The tests show results below 0.01 f/cm^3 .

For any service activities where access to the centrifugal brake is required, we are implementing updated procedures and will recommend the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) to ensure the safety of technicians. We will revert to you on this as soon as possible. Until such procedures are in place, we strongly recommend that you do not carry out said service activities. An

ambient air test has also been conducted when a service technician is performing maintenance work on the centrifugal brake. Also that test shows results below 0.01 f/cm^3 .

Since the specific centrifugal brake is only used in some of our lifts, please contact us to establish if any of the lifts you have sourced from us contain the centrifugal brake from the above-mentioned supplier.

Please ensure that everyone involved in service, maintenance and occupational safety in your organisation receives a copy of this message.

In case you are not the end-user of the lifts supplied by us, please forward this information to your customers and, if possible, the end-users.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to reach out to your usual point of contact at Avanti.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Rafael Peña Guinaliu', is positioned above the printed name.

Rafael Peña Guinaliu

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