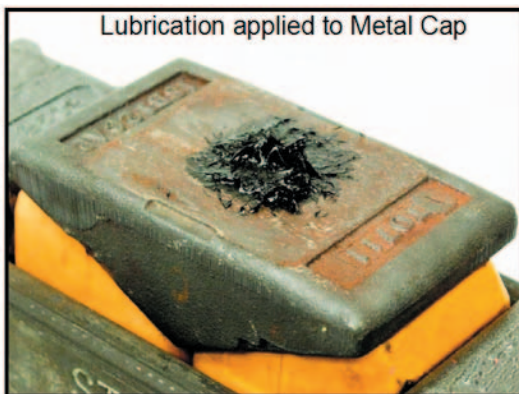


SERVICE BULLETIN RSB0201

SUBJECT: Lubrication of Stucki Constant Contact Side Bearings



This Service Bulletin announces and explains a revision to A. Stucki Company's standard installation instructions for all of our metal-capped constant contact side bearing models. This revision concerns the application of "break-in", or conditioning, lubrication to the metal caps of these style side bearings during new installations.

Background: Stucki metal-capped side bearings have previously been supplied with a light oil film applied to their caps at the factory. Therefore, no additional lubrication for break-in conditioning has been required. However, all Stucki non-metal capped (resilient) side bearings have always required lubrication during installation. This difference with respect to instructions for the non metal-capped and metal-capped models may lead to confusion on the part of installers. Thus, to achieve consistency of installation procedures, Stucki is revising all metal-capped CCSB model installation instructions to now require lubrication of the metal caps, or top caps, during installation of new side bearings.

Revision to Installation Instructions for all Stucki Metal-Capped Constant Contact Side Bearings:

"Following installation of side bearing components into cages to complete the side bearing assembly, and prior to lowering car body onto trucks, installer must apply lubrication to side bearing top cap. Recommended lubricant is any lithium based grease. **DO NOT APPLY LUBRICANTS CONTAINING GRAPHITE OR MOLYBDENUM DISULPHIDE!** Lubricant should be applied as a "dab" approximately 1-1/4" to 1-1/2" diameter, to the center of the cap (see photo below). Car body can now be lowered onto trucks to complete installation.

Application of break-in lubrication with new side bearings is essential to insure safe operation of cars during initial movements and proper long term performance of side bearings."

Note that this instruction applies only to the Stucki metal-capped models. The lubrication instruction for all non metal-capped models, requiring lubrication of the body side bearing wear plates, remains unchanged.