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Subject: Technical Service Bulletin – Proper Handling of Rope Handle Batteries

Technical Service Bulletin

Battery Types Affected: All batteries with rope lifting handles.

Description of Issue:

If a battery of the type mentioned above is improperly handled a failure at the handle flange may occur. We simulated improper handling, lifting by one handle, at our Corona plant. The tests have shown that the handle flange can withstand a force greater than 2.5 times the weight of the battery. Even when improperly handled a failure of the flange was not observed.

Recommendation:

US Battery recommends that any person handling a battery should first inspect for any damage to the flange and always use both lifting handles supplied.

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