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Clesse Novacomet BP1803 LPG Regulator Recall Alert - UPDATE

The Boat Safety Scheme (BSS) is supporting Clesse Industries to make boaters aware of the immediate product recall on its Novacomet branded BP1803 LPG regulators; the date range has now been widened* to include items manufactured between June 2006 and September 2015.

UPDATE: This
Concerns regulators
manufactured
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and September 2015

Following extensive field sampling and testing, Clesse Industries has

taken the decision to implement a recall on its regulator product family BP1803 because of concerns about the potential of regulator failure in certain operational and environmental conditions.

Used with propane and butane LPG cylinders, the recall involves all directly cylinder mounted, wall mounted single cylinder and two cylinder manual changeover versions manufactured between June 2006 and September 2015.

BSS manager, Graham Watts, said;

Please treat this recall seriously and make the checks. Clesse has provided support for anyone concerned with a dedicated website www.clessesafetynotice.com and a toll-free recall helpline: 0800 088 5545.

If you have any worries or concerns about identifying the regulator on your boat, visit that website or contact the Clesse helpline and get advice from the manufacturer.

If you suspect that the regulator you've checked is one of the products in the recall, and it falls within the specified dates, Clesse Industries asks that you register the details.

Following registration Clesse Industries will check the identification, and if confirmed as a recalled product, Clesse states that it will process and supply replacement BP1803 regulators free of charge, as well as contribute to the cost of the product exchange that falls within this recall.

Graham Watts added:

'If you do need a replacement, when it arrives, have a suitably qualified registered gas engineer carry out the work, fit the new regulator and check the gas system is operating safely, in order to avoid any risks to either you or your boat's gas installation.

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The BSS advice in general and not withstanding this product recall is that, if the pressure in the system is so great that the flames on you boat's hob or cooker burners flare, or indeed if the pressure is so low that the burners and the pilot lights on fridges, or water heaters are not lighting, don't ignore these signs. Have a suitably qualified registered gas engineer check over the equipment without delay.

Also keep a note of your regulators age, BSS recommends replacement if it is over 10 years old whatever the make or model.

See <u>www.boatsafetyscheme.org/boat-examination/boats-with-gas/</u> for more gas related information.

- *'The extension of the date range is because the identification of manufacturing date maybe difficult in some cases, Clesse recommends for the reason of clarity exchanges of all regulators of this type starting from first production being June 2006 until September 2015 production 09/15'
- Ends -

Notes to editors

HOW TO IDENTIFY CLESSE NOVACOMET BP1803 LPG REGULATORS FOR RECALL



The recalled models requiring exchange will display "BP1803" (see Figure 2) and dates between June 2006 and September 2015 (see Figure 3).

Regulators displaying any other model number or dates ARE NOT part of the recall so please identify the product on your system carefully.



Figure 2



CLESSE INDUSTRIES designs, manufactures and supplies worldwide, products for LP Gas (Butane-Propane), Natural Gas, Biogas and Synthetic Natural Gas installations. It has more than 60 years of experience in the field. Its focus is on gas regulators, valves, fittings and safety accessories, to be installed on networks, tanks, cylinders and pipes. They are marketed under the CLESSE and NOVACOMET brands

Boat Safety Scheme (BSS) - The BSS is a public safety project owned jointly by the Canal & River Trust, registered as a charity with the charity number 1146792, and the Environment Agency. At least 14 other navigation and harbour authorities have also adopted it.

The navigation authorities' purposes for the Scheme are to help reduce the risks of fire, explosion and pollution on small craft.

The BSS' purpose is to help minimise the risk of harm to visitors to the inland waterways, the waterways' workforce and adjacent properties, as it is to these parties that the Navigation Authorities may have duties in law. Equally it contributes to the common goal to make the waterways a safe, attractive and pleasant environment for all.