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Recall Campaign Bulletin

SUBJECT:

RECALL CAMPAIGN B.172
 Sealing Washer, Large (Part #3H-550)
 Front Brake Hose Banjo Bolt

MODELS:

MG MIDGET

May, 1973

VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER RANGE:

SPECIFIC LISTED VEHICLES BETWEEN GAN5UD-131408G - GAN5UD-132387G

NOTE: AFFECTED DEALERS HAVE ALREADY BEEN CONTACTED BY TELEPHONE BY THEIR DISTRIBUTOR'S SERVICE DEPARTMENT. ALL OTHER AFFECTED VEHICLES HAVE BEEN RECTIFIED IN DISTRIBUTOR STOCK.

During routine production inspection, Austin Morris Group, British Leyland U.K. Ltd., determined that there is a possibility copper sealing washer, part #3H-550, has not been annealed. (Annealing is a heat treating process which has the effect of softening metal.)

Washer part #3H-550 is located between the head of a banjo bolt and the front brake flexible hose union, at both front brake calipers.

Engineering drawings call for the faces of the flexible brake hose union to be flat within .001" and where unions have been machined to this upper limit and a hard sealing washer used, brake fluid leakage could occur. Rectification, if leakage occurs, is to change washer part #3H-550 (see Service Procedure).

NOTE: A smaller copper sealing washer, part #3H-2287, is located between the hose unions and the caliper body. This washer not affected.

VEHICLES INVOLVED

Three hundred forty two 1973 MG Midgets, within the above vehicle identification number range, have to be checked (see Service Procedure), and computer prepared lists of affected vehicles have already been mailed to your Distributor. Thirty of these vehicles were shipped to dealers, prior to freezing Distributor stocks. All affected dealers have been notified by telephone and instructed to rectify affected vehicles prior to retail sale. If your dealership has not been notified, then no action is required.

OWNER NOTIFICATION

Owners' letters are not required as none of the affected vehicles were retailed prior to rectification.

PARTS INFORMATION

All dealer, Distributor and British Leyland Motors Inc. stocks of copper sealing washer, part #3H-550, were annealed during manufacture and are not affected by this recall. Order additional supplies, if necessary.

WARRANTY CLAIMS

Affected dealers and Distributors should use Warranty Summary Form WAR.51. Type Recall Campaign Number B.172 in the top left hand corner of the form and use one of the following condition codes, depending on specific operation performed.

<u>MODEL</u>	<u>MODEL CODE</u>	<u>CONDITION CODE</u>	<u>PARTS</u>	<u>LABOUR HOURS</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION (See Service Procedure)</u>
MG Midget	1342	CN	None	0.25	Check for Fluid Leakage.
MG Midget	1342	CO	2 off 3H-550	0.25	R & R Sealing Washer.

S E R V I C E P R O C E D U R ERECALL CAMPAIGN B.172 - MG MIDGET
SEALING WASHER LARGE, (PART #3H-550)
BANJO BOLT TO FRONT BRAKE FLEXIBLE
HOSE UNION

1. Apply hard steady pressure to brake pedal several times and examine both front brake hose to caliper unions for fluid leakage. If no fluid leakage evident, release car.
2. If fluid leakage on either side is evident, replace large copper washer (3H-550) between banjo bolt head and union.
3. Tighten banjo bolt/s to 13 - 14 lbs. ft. (140 - 170 lbs. in.)
4. Bleed front brakes only. Use steady slow pressure on pedal to avoid shuttling pressure failure switch.

NOTE: LABOUR HOURS OF 0.25 HAS BEEN BASED ON REPLACING WASHERS, BUT THE SAME TIME IS BEING ALLOWED FOR CHECKING ONLY, TO COVER ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.