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#### Modification Sheet No.ELRS/MS/0301-2000 Rev-'0'

- 1. <u>Title</u>: Adoption of modified terminal box cover on TAO-659 traction motor.
- 2. <u>Object</u>: Railways have reported the cases of dropping of terminal box cover of TAO-659 traction motor on line. This is mainly due to shear off/loosening/slackness of its Hex.Head bolts size M 14. This dropping of terminal box cover some times may cause hitting the power cable damaging its insulation or leads to breakage of vaccum reservoir pipe/drain cock of auxiliary reservoir.

Presently, the terminal box of the traction motor type TAO-659 is made from 6 mm thick mild steel plate with a 0.8 mm thick neoprene gasket pasted on its one side to avoid flashovers (Ref. RDSO Modification Sheet No.RDSO/WAM-4/67 of April '78) and its weight is 5.75 kgs (approx.)

As per the advise of RDSO, M/s.Mica Ply, Bhopal has developed terminal box cover of fibre glass material as per RDSO Drg. No.SKEL-4567 Rev.'0' and the same has been tried and found acceptable. The weight of fibre glass terminal box cover is approximately 2 kg only. No Neoprene gasket is required to be pasted in the terminal box cover.

To overcome the above problems and also to improve the performance of Traction Motor type TAO-659, Railways are advised to adopt fibre glass made terminal box cover as per RDSO Drg.No.SKEL-4567 Rev.'0' instead of mild steel terminal box covers on TAO-659 TM. However, this modification may be implemented in a phased manner.

# 3. Work to be carried out:

- Remove the existing terminal box cover.
- Check the condition of tapped holes, if thread found in damaged condition then repair the damaged thread hole in the usual process i.e. blocking these holes by welding and then redrilling & re-tapping etc.
- Mount fibre glass made terminal box cover procured as per RDSO Drg. No.SKEL-4567 Rev.'0' on the TM.

Tighten all six Hex -Head bolts size M 14 in the proper way at the specified torque as per usual practice.

### 4. Application:

All AC Electric Locos fitted with TAO-659 TMs.

### Material required :

 Fibre glass made terminal box cover as per RDSO Drg. No.SKEL-4567 - Rev.'0'.

# Material rendered surplus :

- Existing Mild Steel made Terminal box cover along with the neoprene gasket.
- 7. Reference: (I) Rly.Board's letter No.98/Elect(TRS)/441/14, dtd. 8.8.2000. (ii) RDSO Drg, No.SKEL- 4567 Rev.'0'.

# 8. Source of Suppliers :

### Approved supplier on regular basis:

M/s. Mica Ply, 23-24, New Sector, Industrial Area, Mandideep – 462 046. Near Bhopal, Distt – Raisen (M.P)

# Approved supplier on developmental basis:

- M/s.Hatim Dielectric Pvt. Ltd.,
  90, Rippon Street,
  Calcutta 700 016.
- M/s.Hind Engg. Co., Todi Corner. 32, Ezra Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Room No.356, Calcutta – 700 001.
- M/s. Atual Industries,
  E-925, Dabua Colony,
  New Industrial Township,
  Faridabad 121 001.
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