



FLEET MANAGEMENT UNIT

CAFs Aerial Pumper (CAP) Stabilisation Work Instruction

During a recent training course undertaken by the Appliance training Unit (ATU), a potential safety issue was identified involving our current CAP appliances.

It was identified by ATU that during a certain sequence of actions involving stabiliser retraction commands, cycling off the ignition and PTO engagement may cause the appliance to retract the stabilisers.

NOTE: this can only occur when the stabiliser legs are down, and boom is in the transport position. Once the boom is deployed the stabilisers cannot be retracted.

Fleet Management Unit and Varley/EGI representatives have developed an engineering solution that has been tested to prevent this situation from occurring.

In the interim, all operators are instructed to undertake the following actions.

- **When extending or retracting stabilisers ensure all personnel are clear of the appliance.**
- **When engaging PTO, the driver or operator shall be seated in the drivers seat.**
- **Once a CAP appliance is stabilised with boom housed, the ignition should not be cycled off then on.**
- **In circumstances where the appliance engine needs to be turned off, use either one of the engine shutoffs on the stabiliser control, aerial or cage screen. Do not turn off the ignition.**
- **If the appliance is to be left unattended for an extended period of time, retract the stabilisers and shut the vehicle down as per standard procedure.**

As the permanent engineering solution is undertaken, stations will be advised on the return of their appliances that modifications have occurred.

Please don't hesitate to contact the Fleet Operations Officer on (02) 9742 7359 if require any additional information io this process.