

Safety Bulletin

Subject: LPG Gas Cylinder Safety Relief Valve
Issued: March 2006
Effected Model: All LPG Powered Vehicles

Caution

Before performing any work, be sure to refer to and follow all recommended safety precautions and instructions. In addition, it is recommended that all service technicians wear appropriate protective items, such as appropriate gloves, safety glasses and enclosed safety footwear, whenever performing maintenance on any Materials Handling Equipment.

NTP Forklifts Australia would like to advise that LPG Australia have issued a safety alert with regards to an incident in Tasmania in which the safety valve failed due to a cylinder being overfilled.

If your forklift cylinder was purchased, or the tank retested, between june 2004 and September 2005 and you have a Sidek PRX valve, you will need to call your LPG supplier who has been made aware of the issue.

Please refer to the attached Safety Alert from LPG Australia.



SAFETY ALERT

**ATTENTION: ALL FORK LIFT CYLINDER USERS
3 MARCH 2006**

LPG Australia (LPGA) would like to advise that the Sidek PRX Safety Relief Valve (SRV) AGA No. 6394 fitted on fork lift cylinders between June 2004 and September 2005 is the subject of an industry recall.

This Safety Alert follows an incident involving an overfilled fork lift cylinder in Tasmania on Friday 24 February 2006 where a 43.6kg (Water Capacity); 18Kg LPG capacity automotive (fork lift) LPG cylinder incorporating a Sidek PRX Safety Relief Valve SRV AGA No. 6394 was overfilled during decanting. It cold ruptured 3.75 hours later with ambient (outside air) temperature thought to be 30°C. The dust cap of the Safety Relief Valve was still in place. Fortunately, no one was injured. WorkSafe Tasmania recovered the cylinder and it has been sent for laboratory testing.

LPG Australia advises all fork lift cylinder merchants and distributors and their customers to check all fork lift cylinders to determine if they have a Sidek PRX Safety Relief Valve.

What fork lift cylinder users need to do now

If your fork lift cylinder was purchased, or its tank retested, between June 2004 and September 2005 and you have a Sidek PRX valve – you will need to call your supplier who has been made aware of the issue.

Ensure any affected cylinders with Sidek PRX AGA No. 6394 valves are isolated and taken out of use.

Store cylinders in a cool area out of direct sunlight.

Fork lift cylinder customers are encouraged to call their supplier.

Further information: LPGA website: www.lpgaaustralia.com.au

Further information on obtaining replacement valves can be obtained from Sidek Industries Pty Ltd 36 Nelson St Stepney SA phone 08 8362 2556 or fax 08 8362 2462.

Companies are encouraged to download and print this Safety Alert and distribute it to staff and customers who are involved in fork lift cylinders.

Further information: Contact Ray North or Steve Reynolds at LPG Australia on 02 9319 4733 or visit www.lpgaustralia.com.au

Valve Identification

