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SUSPENSION CAPACITY UPGRADE

Hutchens Industries has recently increased the gross axle weight rating (G.A.W.R.) of our 9600/9700 suspension when used with the heavy-duty steel springs. This upgrade is a result of two changes to our product line.

First, we have increased the strength of the material used in our suspension hangers. This change will allow the hangers to sustain the increase in G.A.W.R.

Secondly, in conjunction with our spring suppliers we have re-evaluated the rated capacity of the heavy-duty springs. Based upon this review we have increased the G.A.W.R. of our heavy-duty steel springs (365-00, 365-01, 752-01, 752-02, 752-05, 752-06, 752-07, 11179-00 and 11180-00) from 24,000 lbs. to 25,000 lbs.

The capacities of our spring suspension sliders have always been governed by the rating of the suspension. We are also increasing the rating of the sliders to 25,000 lbs. G.A.W.R. when the appropriate springs are used.

Should you require any further information about any of these changes, please contact our Engineering Department at 1-800-654-8824.

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