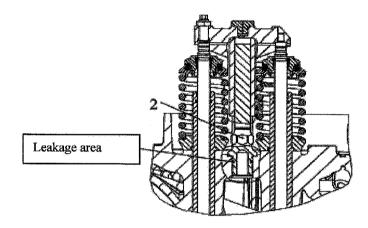


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Guide Bolt Valve Bridge

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In the recent past we had to ascertain, that sporadically cooling water leakages occurred in the area of the thread to the support of the valve bridge guide bolts in the cylinder head.



Origin of these leakages was a machining defect when manufacturing the threads, by which only a few known production lots of cylinder heads were affected. In the meantime, the machining process has been corrected, so that this defect can be excluded for the future.

To ensure maximum component reliability against such leakages also for all engines, that were delivered before changing the manufacture, we offer to rework all threads for the guide bolts of the valve bridges in the cylinder head.

This rework is a preventive measure for all engines, that were delivered before December 2001. Until completion of rework, engine operation can be continued without restrictions.

Our regional field office representing us in your area will contact you in this connection. The rework will be at no cost for you.