

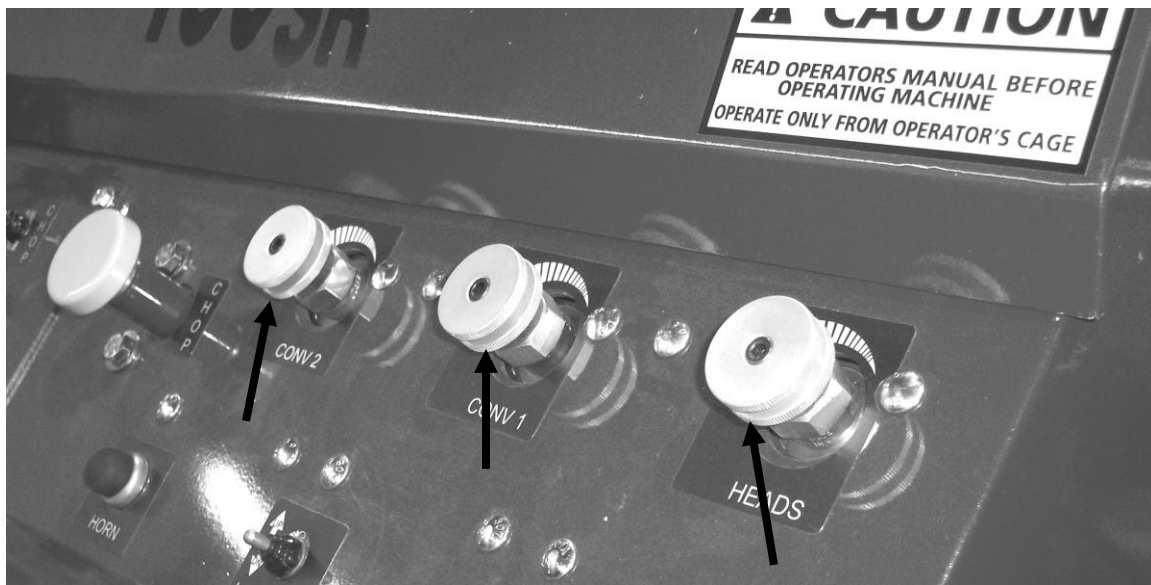


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TECHNICAL SERVICE BULLETIN

SUBJECT: Flow Controls Seizing or Hard To Turn

Models: All SR, SRA and AR units



After an extended period of nonuse, the flow control valves can become hard to turn or seize completely. This issue is especially true on AR and SRA models because the cutter heads and conveyor speeds are adjusted automatically and do not require daily adjustment of the controls. On SR models, the conveyor speeds are frequently adjusted, but head speed is generally set and disregarded thereafter. If the flow control valve totally seizes, it may be necessary to replace the cartridge.

To prevent the flow control valves from seizing, periodically (once each week) turn the valve from fully closed to fully open. If the valve is especially difficult to rotate, repeat this procedure several times with the tractor running and pto engaged.