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# CERTIFICATION TEST REPORT

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CERTIFICATION TEST REPORT 16411-1  
MECHANICAL STRENGTH TESTS  
ON  
115-15 & 115-15-S 15-INCH CLEATS  
FOR  
ACCON MARINE, INC.

**CUSTOMER:**

ACCON MARINE, INC.  
13665 AUTOMOBILE BLVD.  
CLEARWATER, FL 34622

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**OF TEST ARTICLE:** ACCON MARINE, INC.  
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**STATE OF FLORIDA**

ROBERT L. WHITE, being duly sworn, deposes and says. The information contained in this report is the result of complete and carefully conducted tests and is to the best of his knowledge true and correct in all respects.

*Robert L. White*

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 13th day of February, 2004



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1. TEST ARTICLE

Six samples of a stainless steel 15-inch pull-up cleat manufactured by Accon Marine Clearwater, Florida were received for test. Three of the samples were designed to be attached with welded on fasteners and three of the samples were designed to be attached with through bolts (see photos).

2. MODEL NUMBER

115-15 (welded fastener)      115 – 15 – S (through bolt)

3. REQUIREMENTS

The requirements for this effort are to perform side pull tests on the received cleats to determine their breaking strength.

4. PROCEDURES

Each cleat was mounted to a 1" thick steel plate in the manner it would be mounted on a boat. The cleats were then subjected to an increasing side load to determine the ultimate load capability in the direction of pull.

5. RESULTS

The three assemblies designed to be attached with welded on fasteners failed at the fasteners (see photo). The three assemblies designed to be attached with through bolts failed at the connection of the cleat and assembly body (see photo). Specific loads reached for each failure can be seen in the following tables.

115 – 15 Cleats

SAMPLE	MAX LOAD (lbs)	FAILURE MODE
1	65,640	CLEAT PULLED FROM ASSEMBLY
2	54,140	CLEAT PULLED FROM ASSEMBLY
3	64,660	CLEAT PULLED FROM ASSEMBLY
Average	61,480	

115 – 15 – S Cleats

SAMPLE	MAX LOAD (lbs)	FAILURE MODE
1	36,680	FASTENER SHEARED OFF
2	29,830	FASTENER SHEARED OFF
3	28,810	FASTENER SHEARED OFF
Average	31,773	

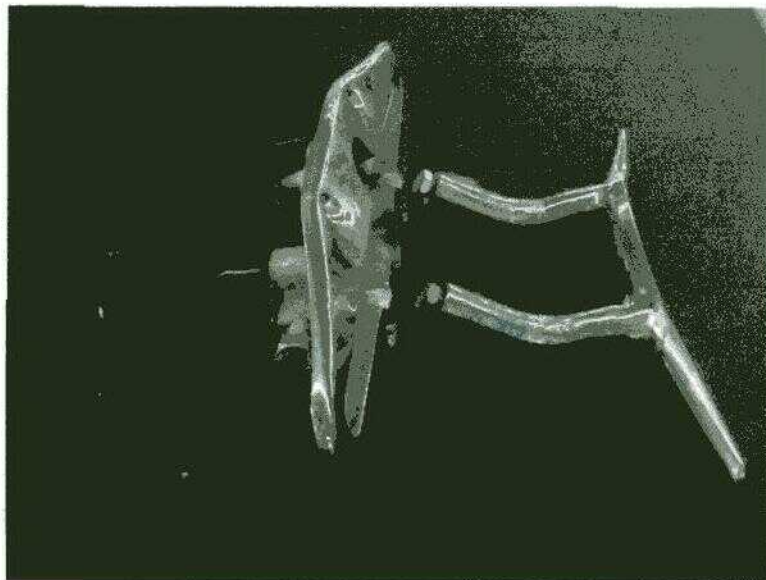


Figure 1. 115 - 15 typical failure mode.

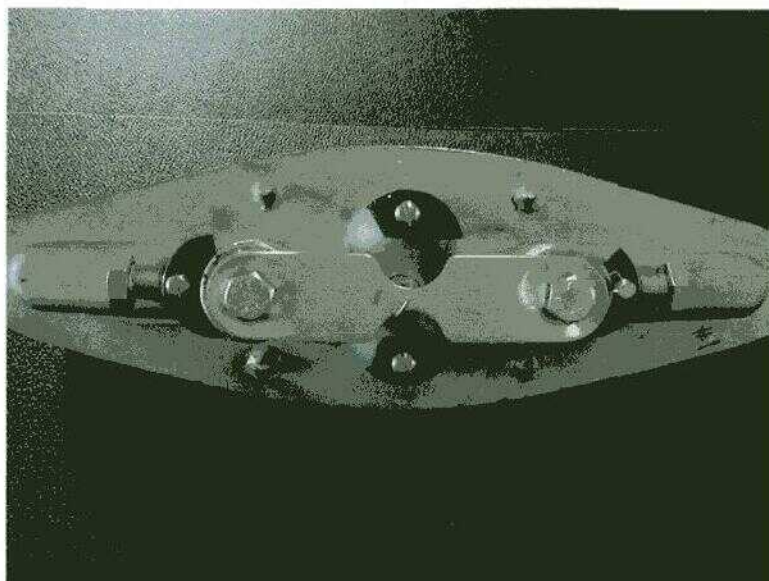


Figure 2. 115 - 15 - S typical failure mode (fastener failure).



**Figure 3:** view of through **bolt** holes

6. OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS

The results presented herein apply only to the test article as prepared and as tested. All equipment used in the performance of these tests was calibrated to standards traceable to the N.I.S.T.