

**HHE-200-09E**

**HHE-500-09M**

# **SERVICE MANUAL**

**NOTE:** This Service Manual will also work with model numbers: HHE-200-08E, HHE-500-08M, AHE-450-DE1 and AHE-450-DM1



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# SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION TO THE HYDRO-HOT

**This service manual is designed to aid trained and qualified service technicians with the process of troubleshooting and servicing the Hydro-Hot Hydronic heating system.**

The Hydro-Hot heating system features a 12 Volt-DC powered diesel-burner and a 120 Volt-AC, 1650 Watt electric heating element. These two heating sources are used in conjunction with an FDA-approved “GRAS” (Generally Recognized as Safe) propylene glycol based boiler antifreeze and water heating solution in order to provide a continuous supply of domestic hot water, interior/fresh water tank heating, independent interior zone heating, and engine preheating. Be sure to reference Figures 3 through 5 for a complete component overview.

Please note that all Danger, Warning, Caution, and Note boxes, appearing as needed throughout this manual, must be reviewed and adhered to during any service procedure in order to avoid potential hazards, which could result in injury, product damage, or property damage.

Should additional assistance be needed, please contact the technical support department at 1-800-685-4298, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 7:00 AM and 4:00 PM Mountain Standard Time.

## **Danger, Warning, Caution, and Note Boxes:**

Danger, Warning, Caution, and Note boxes appear throughout this manual as a means of alerting the service technician to important information.

### **▲ DANGER! ▲**

**INDICATES THAT PERSONAL INJURY IS LIKELY OR IMMINENT.**

### **WARNING!**

**Indicates that serious damage to the heater will occur and personal injury is possible as well.**

### **CAUTION:**

**Indicates that damage to the heater is possible.**

**NOTE: Indicates information that requires special attention by the service technician**

## **Understanding the Hydro-Hot Major Systems:**

The basis for the Hydro-Hot heating system’s functionality is the antifreeze and water heating solution, which is comprised of water that is distilled, de-ionized, or soft, as well as FDA-approved “GRAS” propylene glycol based boiler antifreeze. Through this solution’s ability to maintain and transfer heat, the Hydro-Hot’s three major systems: the domestic water system, engine preheat system, and interior heating system, are able to function effectively. This antifreeze and water heating solution is contained within the Hydro-Hot’s boiler tank and is heated by the diesel-burner when its operating criteria are met and/or the electric heating element when its operating criteria are met. In order for the diesel-burner to be considered as a heating source by the Hydro-Hot, it must have an adequate fuel supply, receive power from the electronic controller, and be selected as a heating source from the interior switch panel. In order for the electric heating element to be considered as a heating source by the Hydro-Hot, it must receive power from either a generator or from shore power and be selected as a heating source from the interior switch panel. Once the antifreeze and water heating solution achieves operating temperature (as determined by the Hydro-Hot’s control thermostat), the domestic water system, the engine preheat system, and the interior heating system are permitted to operate as needed.

## **Domestic Hot Water Priority System:**

The Hydro-Hot is a Hot Water Priority System. Meaning, that the Hydro-Hot cannot heat the interior of the motor home, and produce continuous hot water simultaneously. When Domestic Hot Water is being used, the interior heating system will shut down, until no more Domestic Hot Water is called for.

The domestic hot water priority system is responsible for providing hot water whenever a hot water faucet is opened such as with a shower or sink.

When hot water is requested, domestic water from the motor home’s fresh water tank is transported through a copper coil in the Hydro-Hot’s boiler tank where heat is transferred from the heated antifreeze and water heating solution to the domestic water flowing through the copper coil. The heated domestic water then flows through the tempering valve to be mixed with cool water from the fresh water tank to achieve an appropriate temperature before it flows to the faucet requesting hot water.

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## **Engine Preheat System:**

The engine preheat system is responsible for heating the motor home's engine block in order to make it easier to start-up when cool weather conditions exist.

When the engine preheat system is activated via the interior switch panel, the motor home's engine coolant is circulated through a dedicated copper coil in the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank, where heat from the antifreeze and water heating solution is transferred to the motor home's engine coolant. The heated engine coolant is then transported back to the engine where it transfers the heat to the engine to gradually warm it.

Additionally, the Hydro-Hot includes a Motor-aide feature, which uses the circulation of the motor home's engine to transport the engine's coolant from the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank to the motor home's warm engine and back to the boiler tank. Through this process, the boiler tank is kept heated, which reduces the time required to bring the tank to operating temperature for interior heat and continuous domestic hot water. This Motor-aide feature is part of the engine preheating feature and plumbing system, and requires no action on the user's behalf to function.

NOTE: The Engine Preheat is an option on the Hydro-Hot Heating system. If you have model number HHE-500-09M, the heater does not have the engine preheat feature, but it does have the Motor-Aide feature

## **Interior Heating System:**

The interior heating system is responsible for providing heat to the motor home's interior in order to maintain the temperature at a comfortable level.

For interior heating, it is the room thermostats that trigger the Hydro-Hot's interior heating system. When a thermostat recognizes that heat is required in a particular area, it sends a signal to the Hydro-Hot's electronic controller calling for heat. The Hydro-Hot responds by activating the circulation pump for that zone, which sends the heated antifreeze and water heating solution through the Heating Loop corresponding to the zone requesting heat. The fans on the heat exchangers in the zone calling for heat are also activated; therefore, as the heated solution flows over the heat exchanger's

fins, the heat is transferred to those fins and dispersed into the interior of the motor home by the fans. Until the thermostat signals that heat is no longer required, the Hydro-Hot will continue to send the heated antifreeze and water solution through the loop, which returns the cooled solution to the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank to be re-heated before being sent back through the loop again. This process continues until the pre-set temperature of the interior is reached, and the interior room thermostat signals the electronic controller that heat is no longer required.

## **AC Circuit:**

Although the diesel-burner is the primary heating source for the Aqua-Hot and is necessary for providing continuous domestic hot water, an alternate heat source exists for moderate temperatures, which functions with an AC circuit. Whenever the motor home is connected to an AC power source - plugged into shore power or using a generator, the Hydro-Hot's electric heating element has the ability to function in order to provide heat for the boiler tank.

When the antifreeze and water heating solution falls below operating temperature (as determined by the control thermostat), a signal is sent to the electronic controller requesting heat. Because the electric element switch is activated on the interior switch panel, the DC power from the electronic controller is permitted to flow to the AC relay, which activates the relay in order to allow AC power to flow to the electric heating element. When the electric heating element receives power, it becomes active and supplies heat to the boiler tank until operating temperature is reached.

**Figure 1**



## Hydro Hot Technical Specifications

Diesel-Burner, Heat Input (Firing Rate).....	56,000 BTU/hr
Diesel-Burner, Fuel Consumption (Continuous Operation) .....	0.40 gal/hr
Heater, Voltage/Maximum Power Consumption .....	12 Volt-DC/60 watts
Electric Heating Element specifications.....	120 Volt-AC/1650 watts
Zone Heat Circulation Pump specifications.....	(2) 12 Volt-DC/21 watts each
Number of Heating Zones .....	maximum of 5, plus Engine Preheat (optional)
Domestic Water Heating Capacity .....	continuous/on-demand
Antifreeze Type Used .....	Generally Recognized as Safe by the FDA - Propylene Glycol Boiler
Dimensions .....	12”H x 18.5”W x 30”L
Dry Weight .....	approximately 127 lbs.
Wet Weight .....	approximately 184 lbs.

**NOTE:** All vehicle installations must comply with the requirements listed in the Recreational Vehicle Industry Association’s (RVIA) ANSI/NFPA 1192 Handbook for Recreational Vehicle Standards. To receive a copy of this handbook and other pertinent RVIA Standards, write to: Recreation Vehicle Industry Association, 1896 Preston White Drive, P.O. Box 2999, Reston, VA 22090-0999, call them at (703) 620-6003, or visit them online at [www.rvia.org](http://www.rvia.org).

**Figure 2**

# Hydro-Hot

For installation only in a compartment that is completely closed off from living quarters and accessible only from the outdoors.  
The Exhaust System **MUST NOT** terminate beneath the vehicle or under an openable window or vent.  
Combustion Air **MUST BE** supplied from outside the vehicle.

**CAUTION: THIS APPLIANCE OPERATES ON BOTH AC AND DC POWER.**

**USE COPPER CONDUCTORS ONLY!**

Use a 20-Amp fuse for over-current protection for the DC power supply.  
Use a circuit breaker that cuts power at 20-Amps maximum for over-current protection for the 120-VAC power supply.

Mount the Heater near a bay/storage door so that the Access Cover can be easily removed for service.

**WARNING: DO NOT OPERATE APPLIANCE WITH ACCESS COVERS REMOVED.**

Minimum Heater Clearances:  
Refer to Installation Manual

Install in strict compliance with local codes, NFPA 1192, and the manufacturer's instructions.



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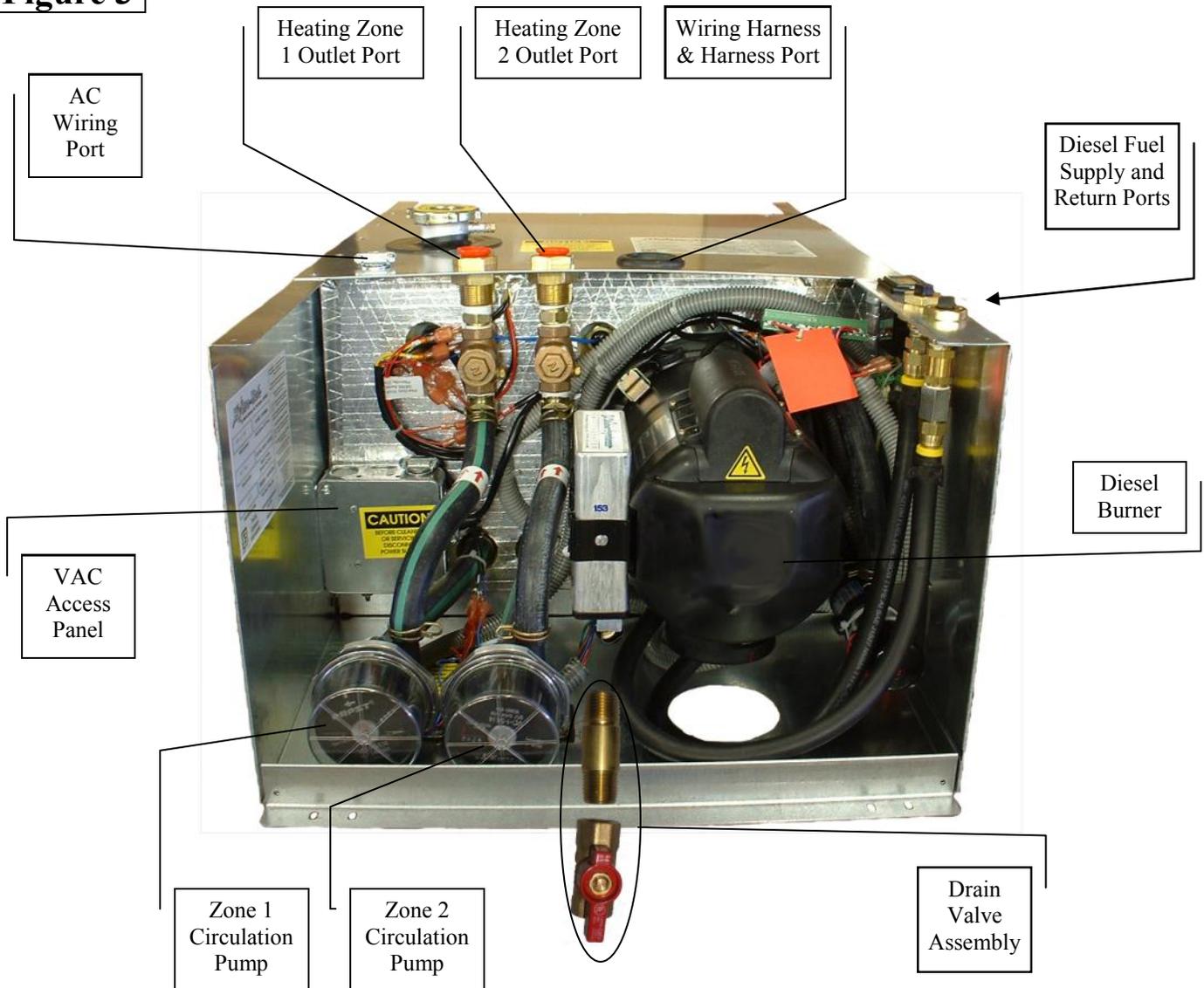
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Direct Vent Appliance

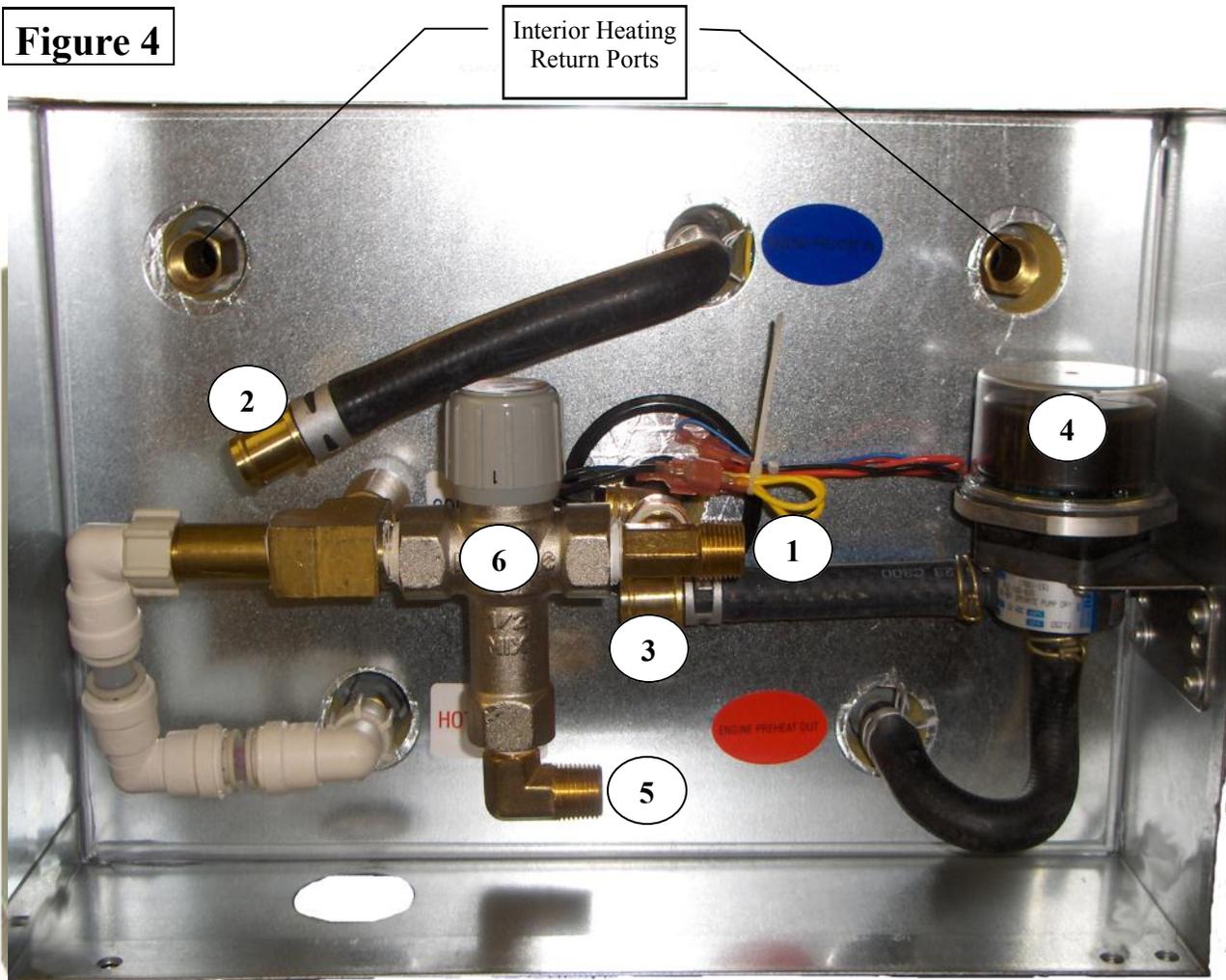
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Maximum Tank Pressure	Watts (DC)	Watts (AC)	
.35 / 60	12 VDC	120 VAC, 60 Hz	
Nozzle Size/Angle	Volts	Volts	
56,000 BTU / 16.4 kWh	145 PSI / 10.0 bar		
Input Firing Rate	Pump Pressure		
WEBASTO	DIESEL		
Diesel-Burner Model Number	Diesel-Burner Serial Number	Fuel Type	
Model Number	Serial Number	Manufactured Date	

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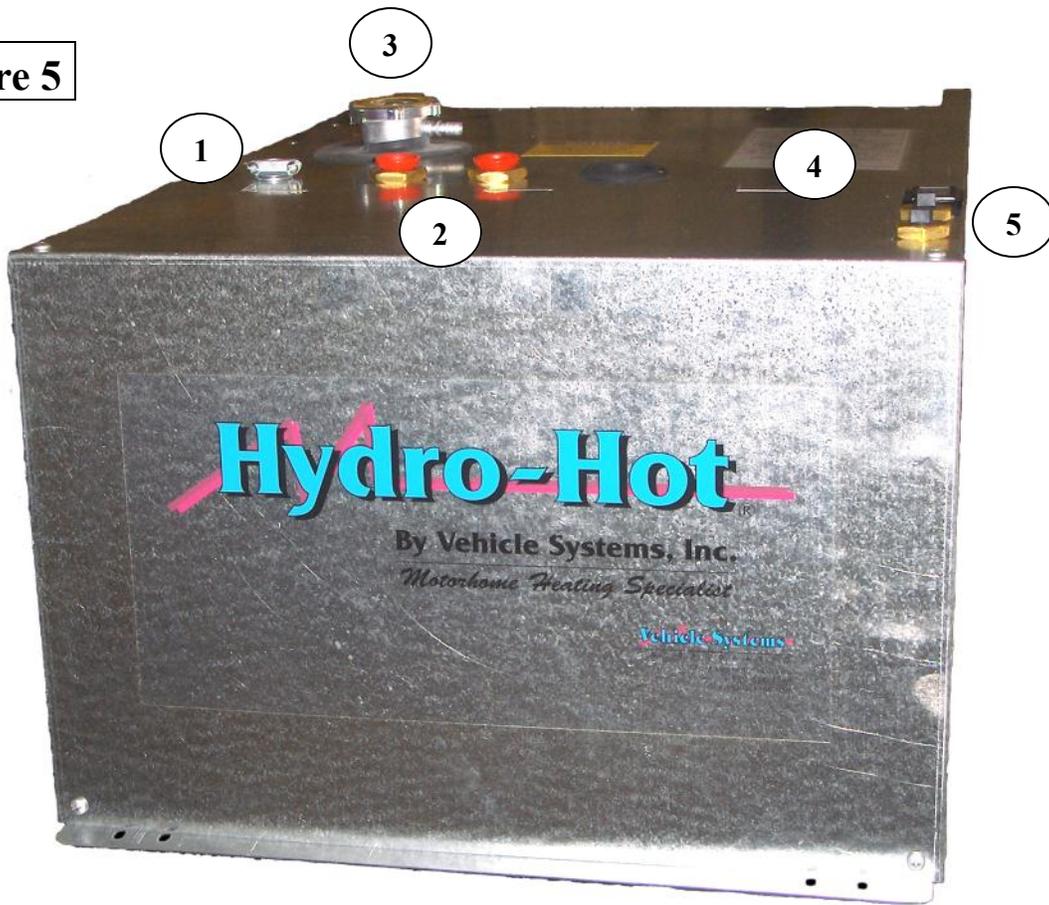


**Figure 4**



- ① Domestic Cold Water Inlet
- ② Engine Preheat Inlet (from engine)
- ③ Engine Preheat Outlet (to engine)
- ④ Engine Preheat Circulation Pump
- ⑤ Domestic Hot Water Outlet
- ⑥ Tempering Valve

**Figure 5**

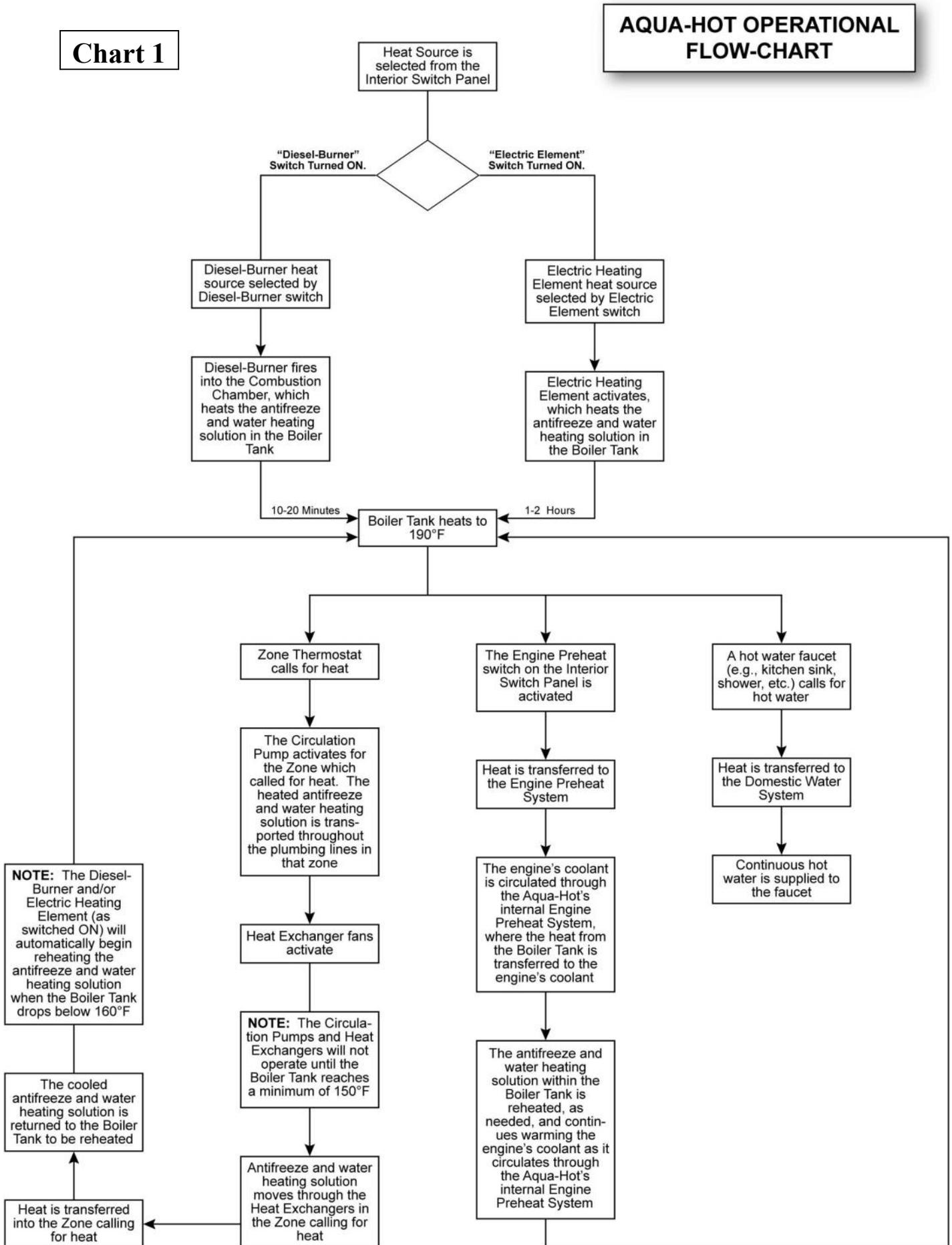


- 1 AC Wiring Cable Clamp
- 2 Heating Zone Outlet Ports (Supply)
- 3 13 LB Radiator Cap
- 4 I.D. Label Location
- 5 Diesel Fuel Supply/Return Ports

# SECTION 2: HYDRO-HOT OVERVIEW

**Chart 1**

## AQUA-HOT OPERATIONAL FLOW-CHART



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### **Antifreeze and Water Heating Solution:**

As the antifreeze type and mixture ratio is essential to the Hydro-Hot's performance and ability to comply with regulations, the following information is being supplied to understand various types of antifreeze, the quality of water necessary, and the mixture ratio. Hydro-Hot Heating Systems Inc. recommends CAMCO's Boiler Antifreeze -100°.

### **Antifreeze Types:**

The following information addresses the necessary usage of a propylene glycol based "boiler" type antifreeze in the Hydro-Hot. Propylene glycol is a safer alternative to the more toxic ethylene glycol antifreeze; however, as mandated by IAPMO (International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials), only those propylene glycol based "boiler" type antifreezes deemed "Generally Recognized as Safe" (GRAS) by the FDA should be utilized.

Because of the significant impact various types of antifreeze can have on a Hydronic heating system, including the level of safety provided, it has been recognized that there is a need to provide an explanation regarding two additional prominent types of antifreeze/coolant available. The following information should be utilized as an educational means of ensuring that the proper type of propylene glycol based antifreeze is selected:

### **RV & Marine Antifreeze:**

These types of propylene glycol based antifreeze products are formulated specifically for "winterizing" applications only. Although RV & Marine antifreeze is often "Generally Recognized as Safe" by the FDA, it should never be used in the Hydro-Hot's Hydronic Heating System. This type of antifreeze is not formulated to transfer heat, which is essential to the heating system's functionality and does not contain rust inhibitors. Please note, however, that RV & Marine antifreeze can be utilized to winterize the Hydro-Hot's domestic water heating system.

### **Automotive Antifreeze/Coolant:**

These types of propylene glycol based antifreeze products are formulated specifically to protect automotive engines against corrosion, freezing temperatures, and overheating. They also have excellent heat transfer and thermal conduc-

tivity characteristics. Although these types of antifreeze products are considered less toxic and safer than ethylene glycol for people, pets, and the environment, they are not "Generally Recognized as Safe" (GRAS) rated by the FDA. Therefore, they must be marked with a "harmful if swallowed" warning. This additional warning is required because these types of antifreeze products contain high levels of chemical inhibitors. Due to their potentially hazardous properties, they should never be used in the Hydro-Hot's Hydronic Heating System.

### **Antifreeze Mixture Water Quality:**

In order to ensure maximum performance and longevity of an Hydro-Hot heating system's boiler tank and associated components, it has been determined that there is a need to use distilled, de-ionized, or soft water in combination with concentrated Ethylene glycol for the Hydro-Hot's antifreeze and water heating solution,. Please note that this is only necessary when mixing concentrated Ethylene glycol antifreeze with water; suppliers of pre-mixed antifreeze are responsible for the use of high-quality (distilled, de-ionized, or soft) water when preparing their antifreeze for sale.

Hard water possesses a high-level of calcium and magnesium ions, which deplete the propylene glycol antifreeze's corrosion inhibitors. This, in turn, causes the antifreeze and water heating solution to begin turning acidic, which can corrode the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank and associated components prematurely. Therefore, concentrated propylene glycol should be diluted with distilled, de-ionized, or soft water that is 80 PPM or less in total hardness. The local water agency should have up-to-date water quality reports that should indicate if the local tap water is within this guideline.

### **Antifreeze Terms and Mixture Ratio:**

The following information addresses the process of selecting an antifreeze and water mixture ratio that provides adequate freeze, boiling, and rust/anti-corrosive protection. A 50/50 mixture of propylene glycol / water ratio is recommended, which will result in a freeze point of approximately -28°F and a boil point of approximately 222°F.

The following information should be utilized for the purpose of clarifying some terms commonly associated with antifreeze.

### **Antifreeze and Water Heating Solution: (continued)**

#### **Freeze Point and Burst Point:**

Antifreeze lowers the freezing point of any liquid, to which it has been added, by preventing the formation of ice crystals; however, as the ambient temperature continues to decline, the water in the solution will attempt to attain a solid state. The point in which the water begins to solidify is termed the “Freeze Point.” Although the water in the solution has begun to freeze, producing a “slushy” consistency, the antifreeze in the solution will continue to combat the normal expansion of the solution as it freezes. The point in which the solution can begin to expand, due to colder temperatures, is called the “burst point.” Once the solution reaches the burst point, the potential is present for ruptured pipes to exist. The burst point of the antifreeze and water heating solution is dependent upon the brand of propylene glycol employed.

#### **Boiling Point:**

The Hydro-Hot utilizes the antifreeze and water heating solution as a transportation means for the heat produced from the internal processes. The antifreeze absorbs the heat created until its boiling point is reached; it is at this point that the liquid turns to a gas and is expelled to prevent the heating system from overheating. Each time the boiling point is reached, a loss of efficiency occurs because the heat produced is expelled rather than used for the function of the heating system. Therefore, a higher boiling point is desired in order to combat the loss of efficiency, which allows the antifreeze to transport the heat created from the internal process throughout the motor home where it can be used productively rather than dissipating due to its change from a liquid to a gas.

#### **Rust and Anti-Corrosive Inhibitors:**

Another major function of antifreeze is to provide protection to the internal metal components of the Hydro-Hot Hydronic heating system from corrosion and rust. Antifreeze is able to perform this function by the addition of rust- and anti-corrosive inhibitors, which are designed specifically to activate in a water solution.

#### **Summary:**

Antifreeze has three basic functions: freeze protection, boil-over protection, and anti-corrosion and rust protection.

Antifreeze is also primarily responsible for heat transfer characteristics. Therefore, as water is an excellent heat conductor, it is added to the mixture. A 50/50 solution of propylene glycol antifreeze and water is recommended to provide the best performance combination of the aforementioned functions. If excess propylene glycol exists within an antifreeze and water heating solution, the water’s heat absorption properties are compromised, which could ultimately inhibit the Hydro-Hot from providing adequate domestic hot water and interior heating.

Additionally, if the antifreeze and water heating solution contains over 70 percent antifreeze, the freezing point is actually raised, resulting in less freeze protection.

## SECTION 3: INTERIOR SWITCH PANEL

The interior switch panel is used to control the two potential heating sources for the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank, as well as to control the engine preheat feature. When a switch is activated, the indicator light on the switch will illuminate.

### Diesel-Burner Switch:

When the diesel-burner switch is in the on position, any time the control thermostat tells the electronic controller that heat is needed for the boiler tank, the diesel-burner will respond by firing up and providing heat. A cold boiler tank can expect to be brought to operating temperature by the diesel-burner in approximately 10 to 20 minutes. In order to obtain continuous hot water, the diesel-burner switch must be activated.

NOTE: If the diesel-burner fails to ignite, the diesel burner status light will go out, indicating to the customer the burner has gone into a default. To reset the default, the diesel burner switch must be turned off for 5 seconds and then turned back on.

Additionally, the diesel-burner switch can be used to reset a low-voltage condition. This is accomplished by turning off the diesel-burner switch for 30 seconds, then turning it back on.

### Electric Element Switch:

When the motor home is plugged into an AC power source (e.g., shore power, generator, etc.) and the electric element switch is on, the electric heating element will be used to provide heat to the boiler tank if the need arises. A cold boiler tank can expect to be brought to operating temperature by the electric heating element in approximately 1 to 2 hours. The electric element, alone, will not be able to provide continuous hot water.

### Engine Preheat Switch:

The engine preheat switch activates the engine preheat pump, which draws the motor home's engine coolant through the boiler tank to heat it before returning it to the engine block to transfer the heat there. Either the diesel-burner switch or the electric element switch must also be activated in order for the engine preheat feature to function. The engine preheat switch does not need to be activated for the motor-aide feature to work and should be shut off when traveling.

NOTE: The Engine Preheat is an option on the Hydro-Hot Heating system. If you have model number HHE-500-09M the heater does not have the engine preheat feature, but it does have the Motor-Aide feature.

**Figure 6**

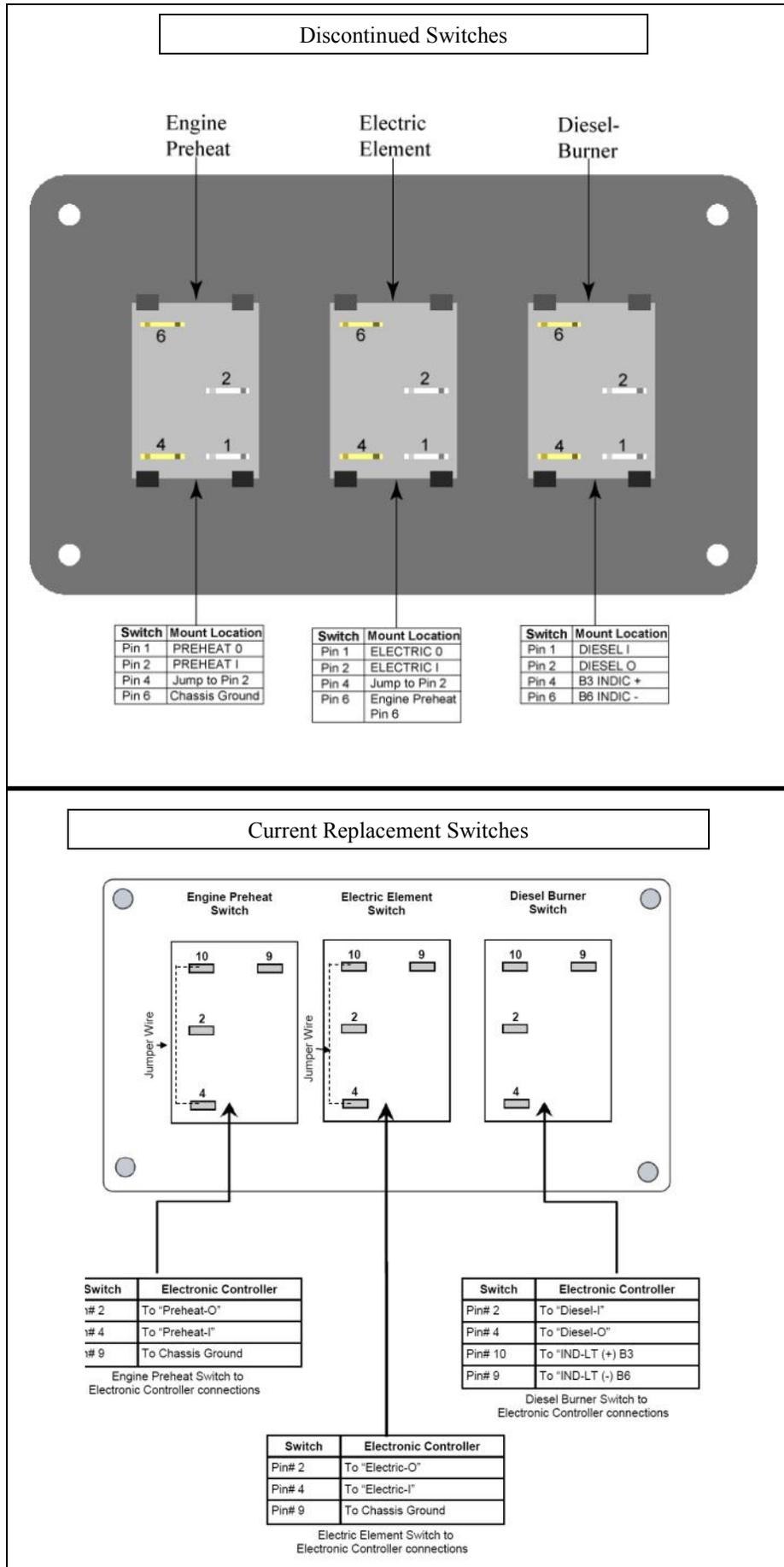
### Original Switches



### Current Switches



**Figure 7**



## SECTION 4: HYDRO-HOT COMPONENTS

### Fluid-Level Sensor:

The fluid-level sensor monitors the level of antifreeze and water heating solution within the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank to ensure that an adequate volume exists.

Troubleshoot the fluid-level sensor if one of the following conditions has occurred:

- The diesel-burner and/or electric heating element fails to operate.
- The Hydro-Hot fails to operate and the "Low Tank-Level Cutoff" indicator light on the electronic controller is illuminated.

### Troubleshooting:

1. Verify that the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank is full of the antifreeze and water heating solution.
2. Verify that the harness wire connectors are securely plugged into the fluid-level sensor.
3. Verify that the fluid-level sensor's wires are securely installed in the terminal strip on the wire harness, as well as tightly fastened to the electronic controller.
4. Verify the functionality of the fluid-level sensor by completing the following:
  - A. Remove the faceplate from the electronic controller.
  - B. Install a jumper wire on the JP3 plug, between pins 15 and 16 (between "LWCO-I" and "LWCO-O") on the electronic controller in order to bypass the fluid-level sensor.

If the "Low Tank-Level Cutoff" indicator light on the electronic controller extinguishes when the jumper wire is installed, inspect the wire harness for damaged or severed wires. If no wires are found to be damaged or severed, follow the instructions in this section to replace the fluid-level sensor.

If, however, the "Low Tank-Level Cutoff" indicator light continues to illuminate once the jumper wire is installed, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

### Replacement Procedure:

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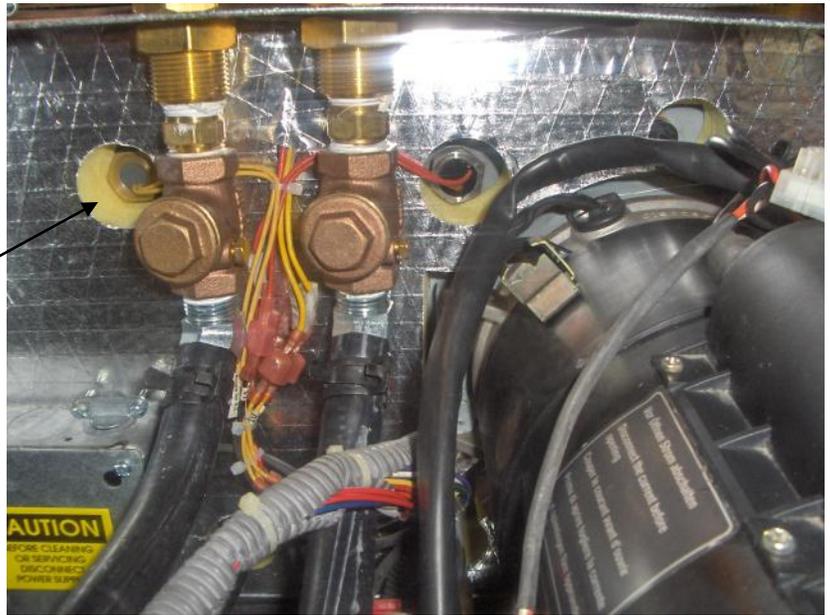
**FAILURE TO DISCONNECT ALL POWER SUPPLIES AND/OR TO ALLOW THE HEATER TO COOL BEFORE SERVICING COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY.**

1. Ensure that the Hydro-Hot has been completely shut down and that all power sources have been disconnected. Also, because this replacement procedure will involve the boiler tank and the potential for hot coolant, be sure the heater has adequately cooled.
2. Drain the antifreeze and water heating solution from the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank using the drain valve, Approximately 1-2 gallons will need to be drained..
3. Disconnect the Fluid Level Sensor's wires by separating the quick-disconnect terminals.
4. Using a 7/8 socket, remove the defective Fluid Level Sensor from the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank.
5. Wrap the threads of the replacement Fluid Level Sensor with a thread seal tape.
6. Screw the replacement Fluid Level Sensor into the port on the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank and tighten securely with a 7/8 socket, ensuring the N.O. stamp is on top.
7. Connect the replacement Fluid Level Sensor's wires in the same configuration as the removed Fluid Level Sensors wires.
8. Refill the Hydro-Hot's Boiler tank with the proper water/antifreeze mixture. Reference Section 5 in this manual for instructions on filling and draining the Hydro-Hot unit.
9. Test for proper operation.

**CAUTION:**

**Be sure to install the replacement float switch with the "N.O." stamp on top, failure to do so, will allow the diesel/electric to come on with no antifreeze in the boiler tank.**

Figure 8



## Thermostats

### Control Thermostat:

The control thermostat is installed into the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank and monitors the temperature of the antifreeze and water heating solution to determine when it is at operating temperature and when it requires heat. The Hydro-Hot is considered to be at operating temperature between 158°F and 190°F.

Troubleshoot the control thermostat if one of the following conditions has occurred:

- There is a lack of hot domestic water and interior heat.
- The heating Status light does not illuminate on the electronic controller, when the Hydro-Hot is below 158° F.
- Excessive Blue or white smoke is expelled from the exhaust.

### Troubleshooting:

1. Turn the diesel-burner and electric element switches on the interior switch panel on and check the electronic controller to ensure that the "Electric Heating Element Status" and "Diesel-Burner Status" indicator lights are illuminated.
2. Verify that the "Heating Status" indicator light on the electronic controller is illuminated as it should be whenever the Hydro-Hot is below the operating temperature range of 158°F.

If the "Heating Status" indicator light is not illuminated, check the following:

- A. Verify that the temperature of the boiler tank has fallen below the 158°F minimum operating temperature by checking with a digital thermometer.
- B. Disconnect the control thermostat's wires from their connections, and, using an ohmmeter, check for continuity.

If there is no continuity, follow the instructions in this section for replacing the control thermostat.

If continuity exists, complete the following:

- a. Inspect the control thermostat's wiring and connections.
- b. Install a jumper wire on the JP3 plug, between pins 13 and 14 ("TSTAT-I" and "TSTAT-O") on the electronic controller in order to bypass the control thermostat.

**NOTE:** The diesel-burner and/or electric element switch must be in the on position also for the "Heating Status" indicator light on the electronic controller to illuminate.

If the "Heating Status" indicator light on the electronic controller does not illuminate with the jumper wire installed, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

## SECTION 4: HYDRO-HOT COMPONENTS

If the “Heating Status” indicator light is illuminated, But the diesel burner fails to come on: check the following:

1. Verify the diesel burner’s control thermostat wires are properly connected, and that there are no loose wires, both at the diesel burner and at the JP4 plug, on the Electronic Controller.
2. Using a DC Voltmeter Verify both the C1 (Orange - #22) and the C7 (White - #23) Wires, on the Electronic Controller’s JP4 Plug have 12VDC.

If the C7 (White - #23) Wire does not have 12VDC, and both the Diesel Burner Status Light and the Heating Status lights are illuminated, the electronic controller will need to be replaced.

If the C1 (Orange - #22) wire does not have 12VDC Refer to the Webasto Diesel Burner Controller Troubleshooting, in section 9.

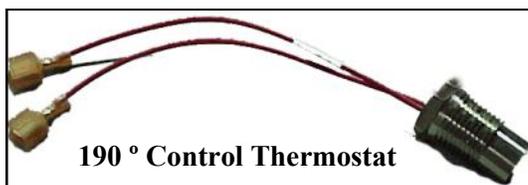
### Control Thermostat Replacement Procedure:

**⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

FAILURE TO DISCONNECT ALL POWER SUPPLIES AND/OR TO ALLOW THE HEATER TO COOL BEFORE SERVICING COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY.

1. Ensure that the Hydro-Hot has been completely shut down and that all power sources have been disconnected. Also, because this replacement procedure will involve the boiler tank and the potential for hot coolant, be sure the heater has adequately cooled.
2. Drain the antifreeze and water heating solution from the Hydro-Hot’s boiler tank using the drain valve.
3. Disconnect the defective control thermostat’s wires by separating the quick-disconnect terminals.
4. Using a 7/8 socket, unscrew the control thermostat from the Hydro-Hot’s boiler tank.
5. Wrap the threads of the replacement control thermostat with Teflon tape.
6. Screw the replacement control thermostat into the port on the Hydro-Hot’s boiler tank and tighten securely with a 7/8 socket.
7. Connect the replacement control thermostat’s wires in the same configuration as the removed control thermostat’s wires.
8. Refill the Hydro-Hot’s boiler tank with the antifreeze and water heating solution.
9. Test the Hydro-Hot for normal operation.

**Figure 9**



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### AC High-Limit Thermostat:

The AC high-limit thermostat serves as a safety measure in the event that the electric heating element continues to operate after the maximum operating temperature is reached. The high-limit thermostat allows the current for the heating element to pass through it until the boiler tank reaches a temperature of 220°F. Should this temperature be reached, the high-limit thermostat blocks the current to the element, which prevents it from continuing to provide heat to the boiler tank.

Troubleshoot the AC high-limit thermostat if the following condition has occurred:

- The electric heating element fails to operate.

### Troubleshooting:

1. Disconnect all power supplies.
2. Remove the AC access cover.
3. Verify that the boiler tank's temperature is below 220°F.
4. Locate the AC high-limit thermostat and remove its wires.
5. Using an ohmmeter, check the thermostat for continuity.

If there is no continuity, press the white reset button on the thermostat and re-check for continuity.

If continuity is still not present after the reset button has been pressed, follow the instructions in this section to replace the AC high-limit thermostat.

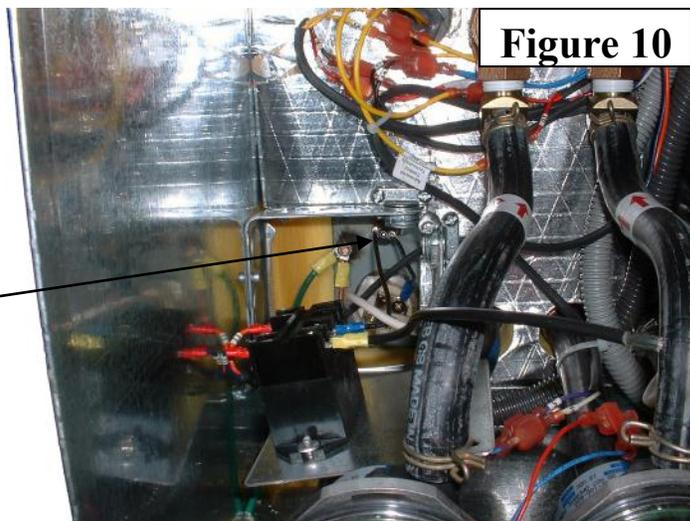
**NOTE:** If the High-Limit Thermostat is tripped, it is recommended to test the control thermostat, for proper operation and verify the boiler tank is full of antifreeze.



### Replacement Procedure:

**⚠ DANGER! ⚠**  
FAILURE TO DISCONNECT ALL POWER SUPPLIES AND/OR TO ALLOW THE HEATER TO COOL BEFORE SERVICING COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY.

1. Ensure that the Hydro-Hot has been completely shut down and that all power supplies have been disconnected.
2. Remove the AC access cover.
3. If applicable, remove the heat shrink insulation covering the wires and terminals on the defective high-limit thermostat.
4. Disconnect the High Limit Thermostat from the A.C. Relay and the Electric Heating element by removing the screws securing them in place.
5. Using a 5/8 wrench or socket, remove the defective high-limit thermostat from the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank.
6. Install the replacement high-limit thermostat into the port on the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank and finger-tighten only (15 in/lbs).
7. Connect the wires previously removed from the A.C. Relay and Electric Heating Element
8. Secure the AC access cover back into place.
9. Test for proper operation.



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### DC High-Limit Thermostat:

The DC high-limit thermostat serve as a safety measure in the event that the diesel-burner continues to operate after the maximum operating temperature is reached. The high-limit thermostat allows the current for the diesel-burner to pass through them until the boiler tank reaches a temperature of 220°F. Should this temperature be reached, the high-limit thermostat blocks the current to the diesel-burner's fuel solenoid valve, which prevents the diesel-burner from operating.

Troubleshoot the DC high-limit thermostat if the following condition has occurred:

- The fuel solenoid on the diesel-burner fails to operate.

### Troubleshooting:

1. Place a jumper wire between the blue and purple wires on the diesel-burner's wire harness to bypass the high-limit thermostats. Check the Hydro-Hot for normal operation.

**NOTE:** Bypassing the high-limit thermostats is for testing only and must not be used for the Hydro-Hot's normal functioning.

2. Disconnect the DC high-limit thermostats' wires, then, using an ohmmeter, check the thermostat for continuity.

If there is no continuity, complete the following:

- A. Press the white reset button on the high-limit thermostat, then re-check for continuity.
- B. Disconnect the wires from each thermostat and re-check each thermostat for continuity, as well as each of the thermostats' individual wires.

**Figure 11**



If an individual wire does not have continuity, that wire must be replaced.

If a thermostat with the wires removed that has been reset does not have continuity, follow the instructions in this section to replace the high-limit thermostat.

**NOTE:** If the high-limit thermostat continues to trip, troubleshoot the control thermostat, and verify the boiler tank is full of the antifreeze-water solution.

### Replacement Procedure:

**⚠ DANGER! ⚠**  
**FAILURE TO DISCONNECT ALL POWER SUPPLIES AND/OR TO ALLOW THE HEATER TO COOL BEFORE SERVICING COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY.**

1. Ensure that the Hydro-Hot has been completely shut down and that all power sources have been disconnected.
2. Disconnect the defective control thermostat's wires by separating the quick-disconnect terminals.
3. Using a 5/8 wrench or socket, remove the defective high-limit thermostat from the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank.
4. Install the replacement high-limit thermostat into the port on the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank and finger-tighten only (15 in/lbs).
5. Connect the wires removed from the defective high-limit thermostat to the replacement high-limit thermostat.



### **Low-Temperature Cut-off Thermostat:**

The Low-Temperature Cut-Off thermostat operates the domestic hot water priority system by blocking the interior heating feature when domestic hot water is being used. This ensures that even heat is provided for domestic hot water, which avoids the possibility of cold water pockets during showers.

Troubleshoot the Low-Temperature Cut-Off thermostat if the following conditions have occurred:

- There is a lack of interior heat.
- There is a lack of hot water and the “Low Temp Cutoff Status” indicator light on the electronic controller continuously remains illuminated, which does not allow the stir pump to operate.

### **Troubleshooting:**

1. Determine if the conditions are right for the “Low Temperature Cutoff Status” indicator light on the electronic controller to be illuminated.
  - A. Verify that the Hydro-Hot is at operating temperature - between 158°F and 190°F.
  - B. Verify that the domestic hot water is not being used.
2. If the “Low Temp Cut-Off Status” indicator light on the electronic controller is not illuminated after it has been determined that it should be, complete the following:
  - A. Install a jumper wire on the JP3 plug, between pins 9 and 10 (“LTCO-O” and “LTCO-I”) on the electronic controller.

If the indicator light does not illuminate once the jumper wire is installed, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

- B. Using a temperature sensor, verify that the low-temperature cutoff thermostat is above 90°F.

If the thermostat is below 90°F, verify that the Aqua-Hot is up to operating temperature and that a hot water faucet is not leaking.

- C. Disconnect the Low-Temperature Cut-Off thermostat’s wires from the Hydro-Hot’s wiring harness, then, jump the wiring harness wires for the thermostat together to bypass the thermostat.

If the “Low Temp Cutoff Status” indicator light illuminates on the electronic controller with the thermostat bypassed, follow the instructions in this section to replace the low-temperature cutoff thermostat.

3. If the “Low Temp Cutoff Status” indicator light does not extinguish when domestic hot water is being used or when the Hydro-Hot falls below operating temperature, complete the following:
  - A. Using a temperature sensor, verify that the low-temperature cutoff thermostat is below 90°F, which is necessary for the indicator light to extinguish.
  - B. Inspect the wiring to ensure that the Hydro-Hot is wired properly and that the low-temperature cutoff thermostat has not been bypassed via jumper wires.
  - C. Disconnect the low-temperature cutoff thermostat’s wires from the Hydro-Hot’s wiring harness.
    1. If the “Low Temp Cutoff Status” indicator light on the electronic controller extinguishes, follow the instructions in this section to replace the low-temperature cutoff thermostat.
    2. If the light remains illuminated with the low-temperature cutoff thermostat’s wires disconnected, verify that the jumper pins on the electronic controller are properly positioned. Reference Section 7 for the proper pin jumper configuration.
    3. If the jumper pins are properly positioned, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

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### Low Temperature Cut-Off Replacement Procedure:



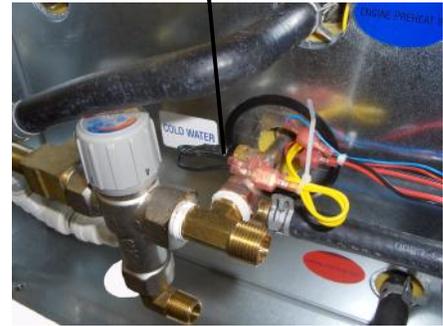
FAILURE TO DISCONNECT ALL POWER SUPPLIES AND/OR TO ALLOW THE HEATER TO COOL BEFORE SERVICING COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY.

1. Ensure that the Hydro-Hot has been completely shut down and that all power sources have been disconnected.
2. Locate the low-temperature cutoff thermostat on the cold domestic water inlet pipe at the back of the Hydro-Hot.
3. Disconnect the defective low-temperature cutoff thermostat's wires by separating the quick-disconnect terminals.
4. Using a 5/8 wrench or socket, remove the defective low-temperature cutoff thermostat from the Hydro-Hot.

5. Install the replacement low-temperature cutoff thermostat tightening only to 15 in/lbs. **Do not overtighten.**
6. Connect the replacement low-temperature cutoff thermostat's wires in the same configuration as the removed thermostat's wires.



Figure 12



## Valves

### Check Valve:

Check valves are installed into the zone outlet ports for each heating loop to ensure that the antifreeze and water heating solution only flows in one direction. If the heating solution attempts to backflow into the boiler tank, the check valve closes to prevent that from happening.

Troubleshoot the check valves if the following condition has occurred:

- There is a lack of interior heat in a particular zone.

### Troubleshooting:

1. Verify that the heating zone is operating properly by checking the following:
  - A. Check the electronic controller to insure that both the "Heating Zone Status" and corresponding pump status ("Pump #1" or "Pump #2") indicator lights are illuminated green.

- B. Check the circulation pump for operation by visually inspecting it for rotation of the pump.

2. With the circulation pump operating, tap on the check valve and wait five minutes to evaluate if interior heat is now present.

If interior heat is present after tapping the check valve, the check valve was stuck closed and no further action is necessary.

3. Check the Hydro-Hot's antifreeze and water heating solution's ratio of water to propylene glycol. The mixture ratio should be approximately 50/50. If the solution is comprised fully of antifreeze (100%), the check valves will continue to stick.

**NOTE:** Storing the motor home for an extended period of time can cause the check valves to stick. If, after the initial release of the stuck check valve, it continues to stick, follow the instructions in this section to replace the check valve.

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### Replacement Procedure:

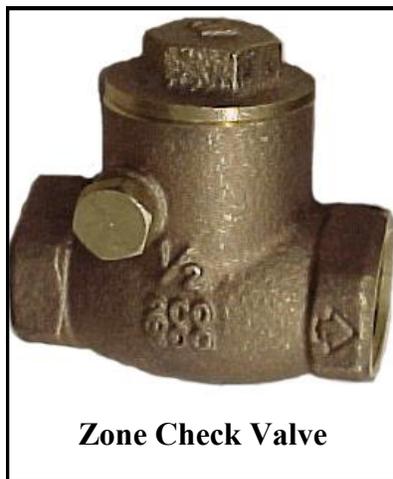
**⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

FAILURE TO DISCONNECT ALL POWER SUPPLIES AND/OR TO ALLOW THE HEATER TO COOL BEFORE SERVICING COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY.

1. Ensure that the Hydro-Hot has been completely shut down and that all power sources have been disconnected. Also, because this replacement procedure will involve the boiler tank and the potential for hot coolant, be sure the heater has adequately cooled.
2. Drain the antifreeze and water heating solution from the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank using the drain valve.
3. Using constant tension pliers, loosen and slide back the constant tension clamp securing the hose to the defective check valve.
4. Remove the hose from the defective check valve.
5. Disconnect the Motor Home's interior plumbing line from the Hydro-Hot's bulk head fitting
6. Unscrew the defective check valve from the Hydro-Hot's bulkhead fitting.
7. Remove the hose barb and the 1/2 inch coupler from the defective check valve.
8. Clean the hose barb and coupler, then wrap the hose barb and the 1/2 inch coupler pipe threads with a thread seal tape.
9. Install the hose barb and 1/2 inch coupler on the replacement check valve, ensuring that they are installed properly with the hose barb on the arrow side of the check valve.
10. Install the replacement check valve onto the Hydro-Hot's bulkhead fitting. The arrow on the check valve must point away from the circulation pump.
11. Connect the interior heating zone line to bulkhead fitting
12. Slide the hose back onto the check valve and set the constant tension clamp back into place.
13. Refill the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank with the antifreeze and water heating solution.

**NOTE:** When the interior heating zone line is disconnected from the bulkhead fitting, approximately 2 quarts of anti-freeze will leak out of the interior heating zone line.

**Figure 13**



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### Tempering Valve:

The tempering valve for the Hydro-Hot mixes the heated domestic water from the boiler tank with cold domestic water at a preset ratio to reduce the risk of scalding.

Troubleshoot the tempering valve if the following condition has occurred:

- There is a lack of hot domestic water.

### Troubleshooting:

**NOTE:** Prior to trouble shooting the tempering valve, it is recommended to review the Lack of Hot Water Trouble Shooting guide in section 10.

1. Inspect the tempering valve to ensure that it is not leaking.
2. Test the temperature of the hot water using a digital thermometer at one of the hot water faucets. Water Temperature should range between 115° F - 123° F. If the proper range cannot be set follow the instructions in this section to replace the tempering valve.

3. Test the tempering valve's functionality by turning the knob.

If the tempering valve's knob does not turn freely, follow the instructions in this section to replace the tempering valve.

**NOTE:** If the Hot water pipe coming into the mixer valve is hot, but the "Mix" water coming out of the mixer valve cannot be adjusted the mixer valve will need to be replaced.

### Replacement Procedure:

#### **⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

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1. Turn the motor home's water pump off.
2. Drain the water pressure by opening the faucets and allowing the water to drain.
3. Disconnect the motor home's water lines from the tempering valve assembly.

4. Disconnect the pex pipe and fittings from the tempering valve assembly.
5. Remove the pressure relief valve assembly from the tempering valve assembly as the tempering valve cannot be removed from the Aqua-Hot with the pressure relief valve still attached.
6. Using a back-up wrench, unscrew the tempering valve from the Hydro-Hot.

#### **CAUTION:**

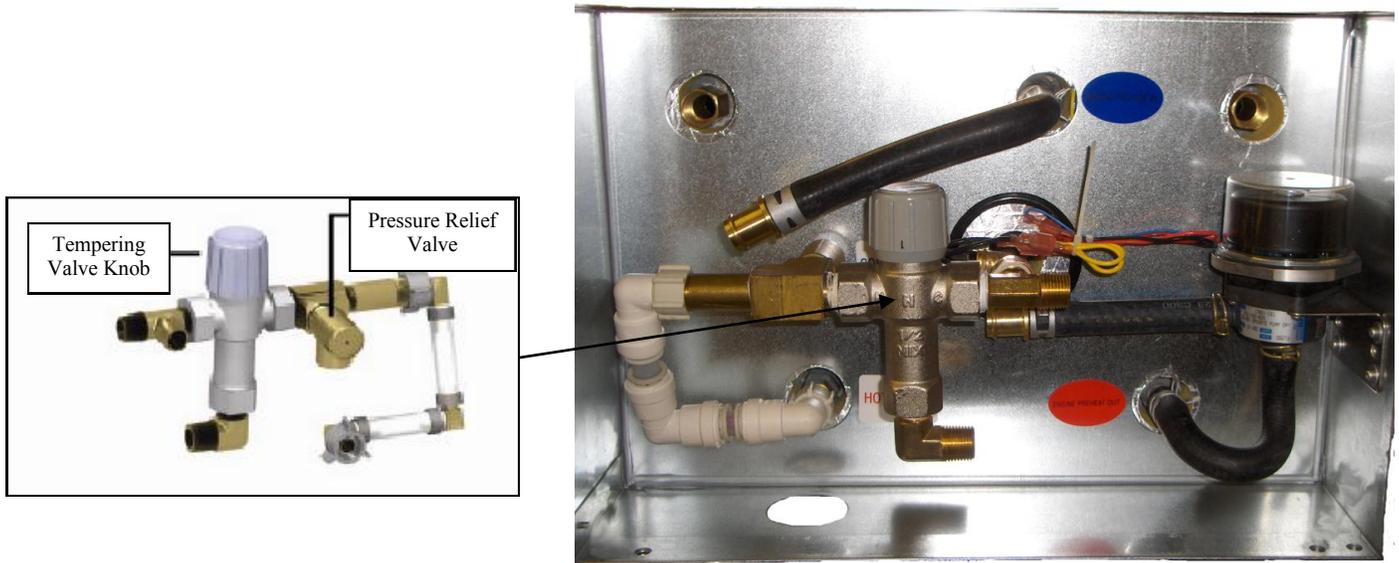
A back-up wrench must be used for loosening and removing the tempering valve from the Hydro-Hot. Failure to use the back-up wrench will cause the copper domestic water coil to twist and kink, which will render the domestic water feature unusable.

7. Remove the brass fittings from the defective tempering valve.

**NOTE:** Be sure to wrap a thread seal tape around the threads of the brass fittings, to prevent domestic water from leaking.

8. Install the brass fittings onto the replacement tempering valve.
9. Install the replacement tempering valve onto the Hydro-Hot using a back-up wrench to tighten.
10. Install the pressure relief valve onto the replacement tempering valve.
11. Reconnect the Pex pipe and fittings to the tempering valve and Hydro-Hot. Be sure to inspect the rubber seals and replace if necessary.
12. Reconnect the motor home's water lines to the tempering valve assembly.
13. Turn the motor home's water pump back on and check for leaks and the presence of hot domestic water.
14. Verify that the replacement tempering valve has been set to the proper setting by taking a digital thermometer to a hot water faucet and set the water temperature between 115°F - 123°F.

**Figure 14**



## Pumps

### Circulation Pumps #1 and #2:

The circulation pumps first draw the heated antifreeze and water heating solution from the Hydro-Hot’s boiler tank, then propel it through the Hydronic heating system’s interior heat plumbing.

Troubleshoot the circulation pumps if the following condition has occurred:

- The circulation pump is not operating and the “Low Temp Cutoff Status” indicator light is illuminated on the electronic controller.
- The Zone Pump indicator light illuminates red on the electronic controller.

### Troubleshooting:

1. Verify that the “Low Temp Cutoff Status” indicator light on the electronic controller is illuminated, as it will be whenever the boiler tank is at operating temperature and domestic hot water is not being used.

2. Turn on the interior room thermostat corresponding to the circulation pump not operating (heating zones 1 and 5 operate with circulation pump #1 and heating zones 2,3,and 4 operate with circulation pump #2). Check the corresponding “Heating Zone Status” indicator lights on the electronic controller for illumination.

If the “Heating Zone Status” indicator light does not illuminate, complete the following:

- A. Install a jumper wire on the JP1 plug between the pins corresponding to the room thermostat operating the circulation pump that is not operating. Reference the wiring diagram in Appendix A. This will bypass the room thermostat.

When the “Heating Zone Status” indicator light illuminates on the electronic controller, the corresponding “Pump #1” and/or “Pump #2” indicator light should illuminate as well.

- B. With the jumper wire installed, check the indicator light corresponding to the pump not operating.

If the indicator light illuminates green, complete the following:

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- A. Using a voltmeter, check for 12 volts of DC power on the JP3 plug pins corresponding to the pump not operating.

If 12 volts of DC power are not present, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

- B. Disconnect the circulation pump's wires from the wiring harness, then, using a voltmeter, check the wires on the wiring harness for 12 volts of DC power.

If 12 volts of DC power are present at the wiring harness, follow the instructions in this section to replace the circulation pump.

If the indicator light illuminates red, complete the following:

- A. Disconnect the circulation pump's wires.

If the indicator light turns green with the circulation pump disconnected, follow the instructions in this section to replace the circulation pump.

If the indicator light remains red with the circulation pump disconnected, check the wiring for damage. If no damage is found, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

NOTE: The circulation pump can be tested by connecting it to an external 12 Volt-DC source to verify that the pump is defective.

### **Replacement Procedure:**

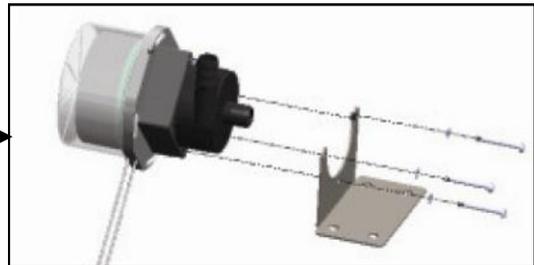


FAILURE TO DISCONNECT ALL POWER SUPPLIES AND/OR TO ALLOW THE HEATER TO COOL BEFORE SERVICING COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY.

1. Ensure that the Hydro-Hot has been completely shut down and that all power sources have been disconnected. Also, because this replacement procedure will involve the potential for hot coolant, be sure the heater is adequately cooled.

2. Drain the antifreeze and water heating solution from the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank using the drain valve.
3. Disconnect the defective circulation pump's wires by separating the quick-disconnect terminals.
4. Using constant tension pliers, loosen and slide back the constant tension clamps securing the hoses to the circulation pump.
5. Remove the hoses from the defective circulation pump.
6. For ease of replacement pump installation, the defective circulation pump's mounting bracket should remain fastened to the heater, and only the pump should be removed. Therefore, to detach the defective pump, remove the three screws on the back of the attached mounting bracket.
7. Slide the defective pump out of the bracket and set aside.
8. The replacement pump will arrive complete with a mounting bracket; however, because the existing bracket remains mounted to the heater, the new mounting bracket must be removed by detaching the three screws securing it to the replacement pump.
9. Slide the replacement pump into the existing mounting bracket and secure with the three screws previously removed from the replacement pump.
10. Slide the hoses back onto the replacement pump and set the constant tension clamps back into place.
11. Reconnect the wires on the replacement pump to the wire harness on the heater by uniting the red quick-disconnect terminals.
12. Refill the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank with the antifreeze and water heating solution.
13. Test the Hydro-Hot for normal operation.

**Figure 15**



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### **Stir Pump / Circulation Pump #3:**

The stir pump circulates the antifreeze and water heating solution within the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank in order to ensure even-heating of the solution. To accomplish this, the stir pump draws the solution from the bottom of the tank and immediately deposits it back into the top of the tank.

Troubleshoot the stir pump if the following condition has occurred:

- There is a lack of hot domestic water.
- Pump #3 indicator light illuminates red.

#### **Troubleshooting:**

**NOTE:** In order for the stir pump to operate, the diesel-burner switch must be on and the indicator light for the “Low Temp Cutoff Status” on the electronic controller must be extinguished.

**NOTE:** Verify the Electronic Controller Proper Jumper Pin formation . Reference Section 6: Electronic Controller, for the proper jumper pin formation.

1. Verify that the “Pump #3” indicator light on the electronic controller is illuminated

If the indicator light is not illuminated, check the following:

- A. Verify that the diesel-burner Status Light is Illuminated, indicating the switch is on.
- B. Verify that the “Low Temp Cutoff Status” indicator light on the electronic controller is not illuminated.

If the diesel-burner switch is on, the “Low Temp Cutoff Status” indicator light is not illuminated, the jumper pins on the electronic controller are properly positioned and the stir pump is not operating, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

2. Check the color of the illuminated “Pump #3” indicator light on the electronic controller.

If the indicator light is illuminated red, the stir pump is experiencing a short; therefore, complete the following:

- A. Disconnect the stir pump's wires.

If the “Pump #3” indicator light turns green when the stir pump is disconnected, follow the instructions in this section to replace the stir pump.

If the “Pump #3” indicator light remains red when the stir pump is disconnected, check the wiring for damage. If no damage is found, follow the instruction in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

If the indicator light is illuminated green, complete the following:

- A. Using a voltmeter, check for 12 Volts of DC power on the JP3 plug between pins 1 and 2 (“PUMP 3+” and “PUMP 3-”) on the electronic controller.

If 12 Volts of DC power are not present, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

3. Disconnect the stir pump's wires from the wiring harness, then, using a voltmeter, check the wires on the wiring harness for 12 Volts of DC power.

If 12 Volts of DC power are not present, inspect and test the wires going from the electronic controller to the pump.

If 12 Volts of DC power are present at the wiring harness, complete the following:

- A. Verify that the pump is operating by placing a hand on the pump to feel for vibrations.

If no vibrations are felt, follow the instructions in this section to replace the stir pump.

- B. Once it is determined that the pump is active, verify that the pump is operating properly by checking both connected hoses for heat.

If both hoses are hot, the pump is working properly.

If only one hose is hot, or neither hose is hot, check the cold hose for a blockage. If no blockage exists, follow the instructions in this section to replace the stir pump.

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### **⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

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### Removing the Defective Stir Pump

**NOTE:** The original Stir Pump is no longer available. When replacing an original Stir Pump, part number PLE-100-830-FRU. This is a retrofit kit that will include all necessary items to use the new style Stir Pump.

1. Ensure that the Hydro-Hot has been completely shut down and that all power sources have been disconnected. Also, because this replacement procedure will involve the potential for hot coolant, be sure the heater has adequately cooled.
2. Drain the antifreeze and water heating solution from the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank.
3. Remove the Diesel Burner.
4. Disconnect the defective stir pump's wires by separating the quick-disconnect terminals.
5. Using constant tension pliers, loosen and slide back the constant tension clamps securing the hoses to the stir pump.
6. Remove the hoses from the defective stir pump.
7. Remove the defective pump from the heater by drilling-out the rivets securing the pump to the heater.
8. Using constant tension pliers, loosen and slide back the constant tension clamps securing the hoses to the heater
9. Remove the hoses from the heater.

### Installing the replacement Stir Pump (Hydro-Hot & Aqua-Hot 450DE1/DM1)

1. Using the Pump Adapter Bracket Align the two holes in the middle of the bracket, in between the existing holes on the sheet metal, where the defective stir pump was mounted.

**NOTE:** The Mitered side of the Pump Adapter Bracket must be facing towards the front of the heater. (Away from the Boiler tank).

2. Mark the holes, and drill them out, using an 11/32 drill bit.
3. Using the Constant Tension pliers install the 3/4" hose clamps (Size 27) onto the 3/4" side of the replacement hoses, and the 23/32" (Size 20) hose clamps onto the 1/2" side of the replacement hoses.

**NOTE:** The hoses may need to be cut, to fit properly.

4. Slide the new replacement hoses on the new replacement pump and set the constant tension clamps into place, on the pump.
5. Slide the new replacement hoses onto the fittings in the boiler tank, and set the constant tension clamps into place.
6. Install the Pump Bracket onto the pump aligning the mounting tabs with the holes previously drilled in step 7 (Removing the Defective Stir Pump.)
7. Secure the pump to the side of the heater.
8. Plug the Cooper pump wire harness into the pump, and connect the wires to the wires connected to the heater by uniting the red quick-disconnect terminals.
9. Refill the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank with the antifreeze and water heating solution and check for leaks
10. Reinstall the Diesel Burner.

**NOTE:** If the Diesel Burner Does not align properly, it may be necessary to remove the air intake sleeve and discard. If the air intake sleeve is discarded, it is recommended to install a wire, mesh screen over the air intake hole, underneath the diesel burner. It is recommended to use a 1/4" hole wire mesh screen.

**Figure 16**



**Stir Pump**

### Engine Preheat Pump:

The Engine Preheat circulation pump draws the cold anti-freeze and water heating solution from the motor home's engine and then propels it through the Engine Preheat Heat exchanger, located inside the boiler tank.

Troubleshoot the Engine Preheat Pump if the following condition has occurred:

- The Engine Preheat Pump is not operating, and the Engine Preheat Switch on the Switch Panel inside the motor Home is in the ON position and the “Low Temp Cutoff Status” indicator light is illuminated on the electronic controller.
- The Engine Preheat Pump indicator light illuminates red on the electronic controller.

### Troubleshooting:

**NOTE:** Either the diesel-burner switch or the electric element switch must also be activated in order for the engine preheat feature to function.

- **The Engine Preheat Pump is not operating, and the Engine Preheat Switch on the Switch Panel inside the motor Home is in the ON position and the “Low Temp Cutoff Status” indicator light is illuminated on the electronic controller.**
1. Verify that the “Low Temp Cutoff Status” indicator light on the electronic controller is illuminated.
  2. Verify that the Engine Preheat Switch is in the ON position, on the interior switch panel inside the motor home. Either the diesel burner switch or the electric element switch must also be activated in order for the engine preheat feature to function.
  3. On the electronic controller, verify that the engine preheat pump light is illuminated.

If the Engine preheat pump indicator light does not illuminate, complete the following:

- A. Verify that the low temperature cutoff light and the diesel burner/electric heating element status lights are illuminated on the electronic controller.
- B. Using a jumper wire, bypass the engine preheat switch on the JP3 plug, by connecting pins Preheat-O and Preheat-I together.

If the engine preheat pump indicator light illuminates with the jumper installed, inspect for loose wires. If no loose wires are found, replace the engine preheat switch, on the interior switch panel, inside the motor home.

If the engine preheat pump indicator light does not illuminate, and the Low Temperature Cut-Off Light is illuminated along with either the diesel or the electric element status indicator light, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

- **The Engine Preheat Pump indicator light illuminates green on the electronic controller but the pump is not running.**

- A. Using a voltmeter, check for 12 volts of DC power on the JP3 plug pins corresponding to the pump not operating.

If 12 volts of DC power are not present, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

- B. Disconnect the engine preheat circulation pump's wires from the wiring harness, then, using a voltmeter, check the wires on the wiring harness for 12 volts of DC power.

If 12 volts of DC power are present at the wiring harness, follow the instructions in this section to replace the engine preheat circulation pump.

**NOTE:** The engine preheat circulation pump can be tested by connecting it to an external 12 Volt-DC source to verify that the pump is defective.

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- **The Engine Preheat Pump indicator light illuminates red on the electronic controller.**

- A. Disconnect the engine preheat circulation pump's wires.

If the indicator light turns green with the engine preheat circulation pump disconnected, follow the instructions in this section to replace the engine preheat circulation pump.

If the indicator light remains red with the circulation pump disconnected, check the wiring for damage. If no damage is found, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

### Replacement Procedure:

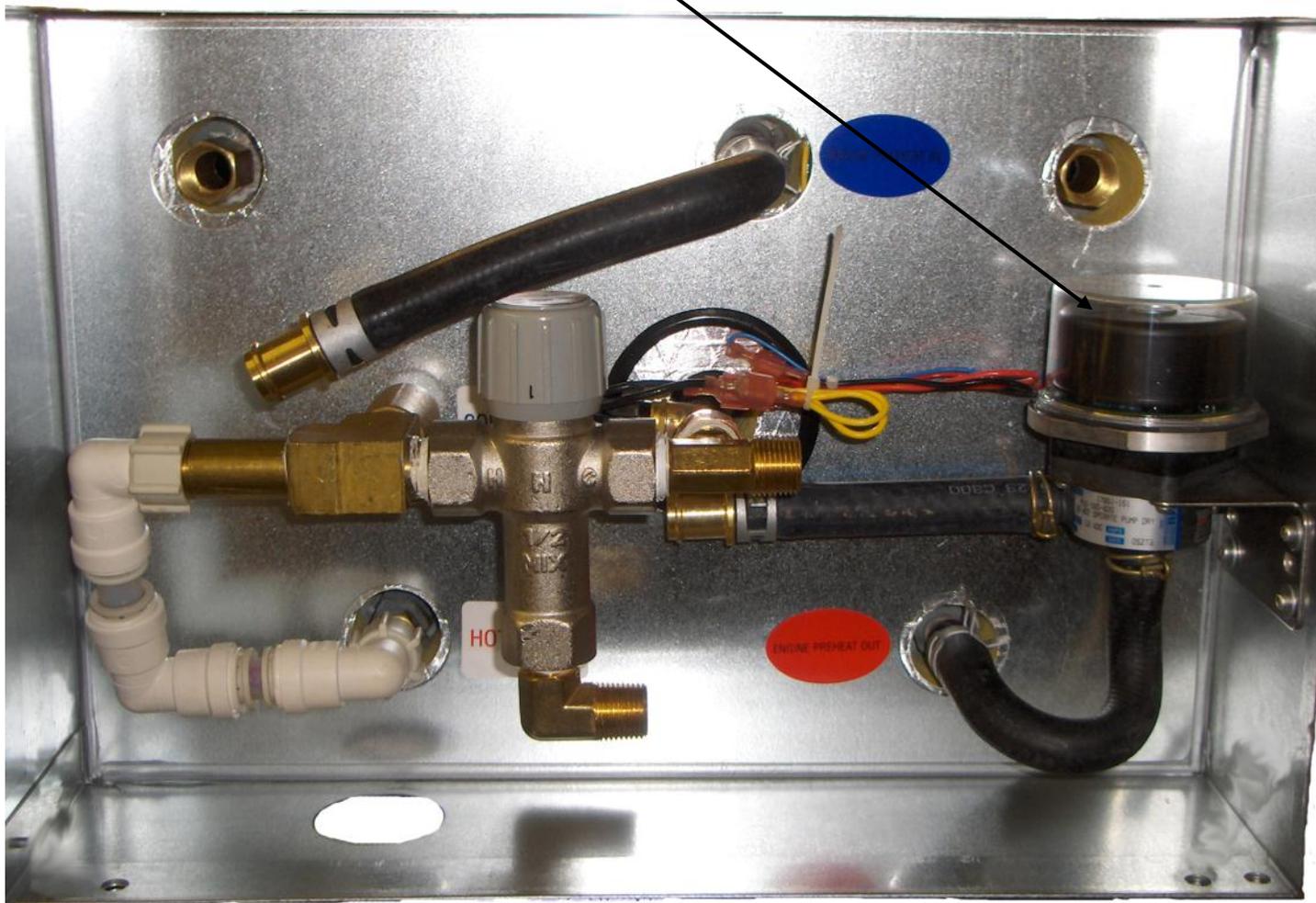
#### **⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

**FAILURE TO DISCONNECT ALL POWER SUPPLIES AND/OR TO ALLOW THE HEATER TO COOL BEFORE SERVICING COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY.**

1. Ensure that the Hydro-Hot has been completely shut down and that all power sources have been disconnected. Also, because this replacement procedure will involve the potential for hot coolant, be sure the heater and motor home Engine is adequately cooled.
2. Using hose pinch off pliers, clamp both hoses attached to the engine preheat pump, closed.
3. Disconnect the defective circulation pump's wires by separating the quick-disconnect terminals.
4. Using constant tension pliers, loosen and slide back the constant tension clamps securing the hoses to the engine preheat pump.
5. Remove the hoses from the defective engine preheat pump.
6. Remove the defective pump from the heater by drilling-out the rivets securing the pump to the heater. Then remove the defective pump from the Hydro-Hot.
7. Slide the hoses onto the replacement pump and set the constant tension clamps back into place.
8. Secure the replacement pump to the heater using rivets.
9. Reconnect circulation pump's wires by uniting the quick-disconnect terminals. Be careful to connect the wires properly. Reference the wiring schematic in Appendix A.
10. Remove the hose pinch off pliers previously installed on both hoses.
11. Test the Hydro-Hot for normal operation.

**Figure 17**

**Engine Preheat Pump  
W / Bracket**



### Electrical - AC

#### Electric Heating Element:

The electric heating element uses AC power as an alternate power source for heating the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank.

Troubleshoot the electric heating element if the following condition has occurred:

- There is a lack of hot domestic water and interior heat when the electric element is selected as the heating source.

#### Troubleshooting:

**NOTE:** For continuous domestic hot water to be present, the diesel-burner must be selected also as a heating source.

1. Verify that the motor home is either plugged into shore power or that the generator is running to provide AC power.
2. Verify that both the "Electric Heating Element Status" and the "Heating Status" indicator lights on the electronic controller are illuminated.

If the "Electric Heating Element Status" indicator light on the electronic controller is not illuminated, complete the following:

- A. Verify that the electric element switch on the interior switch panel is on.
- B. Install a jumper wire on the JP2 plug, between pins 52 and 53 ("ELECT-O" and "ELECT-I") on the electronic controller to bypass the electric element switch.

If the "Electric Heating Element Status" indicator light illuminates on the electronic controller with the jumper wire installed, check the Electric Element Switch, on the interior switch panel for functionality.

If the "Electric Heating Element Status" indicator light does not illuminate on the electronic controller

with the jumper wire installed, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

If the "Heating Status" indicator light on the electronic controller is not illuminated, complete the following:

- A. Check the temperature of the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank.

If the boiler tank temperature is below 158°F, troubleshoot the control thermostat.

If the boiler tank is above 158°F, the Hydro-Hot is at operating temperature and requires no heat.

3. Verify the Electronic Controller is sending 12 Volt DC to the A.C. Relay.
  - A. Using a volt meter check pins 11 & 12 ("AC REL -" and "AC REL +") for 12-Volt D.C on the JP3 plug.

If 12 Volts of DC power is not present while the "Electric Heating Element Status" and "Heating Status" indicator lights on the electronic controller are illuminated, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

4. If 12 Volts of DC power are present at the relay, complete the following:
  - A. Locate the AC wires connected to the AC relay (pins 2 and 4), and remove the AC wires from the relay.
  - B. Using an ohmmeter, check the relay AC pins (2 and 4) for continuity.

If no continuity exists, follow the instructions in this section to replace the AC relay.

5. Verify that the electric heating element is receiving adequate AC power by completing the following:
  - A. Remove the AC access cover.
  - B. Plug the Coach into shore power/turn generator on.

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- C. Using an AC voltmeter, verify that 110 volts of AC power are present at the terminal block reference figure 20. If there is not 110 VAC present at the terminal block for the electric element, there is a problem inside the motor home.
- D. Using a digital clamp-meter, verify the electric element's amp draw is between 11.2 to 13 amps.
- E. Check the electric element's wires for continuity by completing the following:
- Disconnect the motor home from shore power/shut off generator.
  - Disconnect the wires from the electric heating element.
  - Disconnect the wires from the AC terminal block.
  - Check the black and white wires at the terminal block for continuity.
4. Check the electric heating element for functionality by completing the following:
- Disconnect all power supplies.
  - Remove the AC access cover.
  - Remove all wires from the electric heating element.
  - Using an ohmmeter, check the electric heating element for the proper ohms. The Ohms reading should be between 8.5 - 9.5 ohms.

If the ohms reading is not between 8.5 - 9.5 ohms follow the instructions in this section to replace the electric heating element.

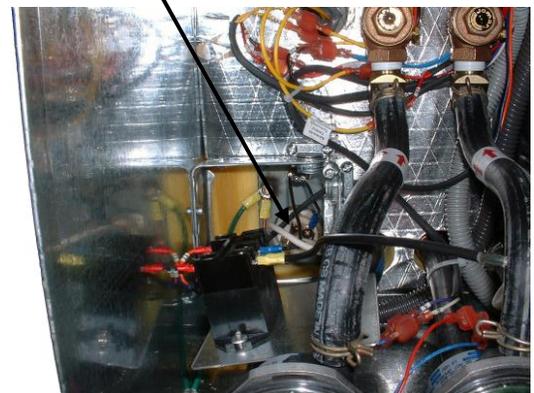
### Replacement Procedure:

**⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

**FAILURE TO DISCONNECT ALL POWER SUPPLIES AND/OR TO ALLOW THE HEATER TO COOL BEFORE SERVICING COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY.**

- Ensure that the Hydro-Hot has been completely shut down and that all power sources have been disconnected. Also, because this replacement procedure will involve the boiler tank and the potential for hot coolant, be sure the heater has adequately cooled.
- Drain the antifreeze and water heating solution from the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank using the drain valve.
- Remove the AC access cover.
- Remove the two wires secured to the defective electric heating element by releasing the screw terminals.
- Using a 1-1/2 inch socket, remove the defective electric heating element from the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank.
- Install the replacement 1650-watt electric heating element into the boiler tank ensuring that the "up" lettering on the element is installed in the up position.
- Connect the wires removed from the defective electric heating element to the replacement electric heating element and tighten the screw terminals.
- Reinstall the AC access cover.
- Refill the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank with the antifreeze and water heating solution.

**Figure 18**



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### AC Relay:

The AC relay is an electrical device where the DC circuit from the electronic controller determines whether the AC power is permitted to flow to the electric heating element. This allows the electronic controller to switch the electric heating element on and off in conjunction with the interior switch panel and control thermostat even though the electric heating element is on a separate circuit.

Troubleshoot the AC relay if the following condition has occurred:

- The electric heating element fails to operate.

### Troubleshooting:

1. Disconnect the AC power source to the motorhome (unplugging from shore power or shutting off the generator).
2. Turn the electric element switch on the interior switch panel on and check the electronic controller to ensure that the “Electric Heating Element Status” and the “Heating Status” indicator lights are illuminated.
3. Using a voltmeter, check pins 11 and 12 (“AC Relay +” and “AC Relay-”) on the JP3 plug for 12 Volts-DC.

If 12 Volts of DC power are not present while the “Electric Heating Element Status” and “Heating Status” indicator lights on the electronic controller are illuminated, follow the instructions in this manual to replace the electronic controller.

If 12 Volts of DC power are present, complete the following:

**Figure 19**



- A. Locate the AC wires connected to the AC relay (pins 6 and 8), and remove the AC wires from the relay.
- B. Using an ohmmeter, check the relay AC pins (6 and 8) for continuity.

If no continuity exists, follow the instructions in this section to replace the AC relay.

### Replacement Procedure:

**⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

**FAILURE TO DISCONNECT ALL POWER SUPPLIES AND/OR TO ALLOW THE HEATER TO COOL BEFORE SERVICING COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY.**

1. Ensure that the Aqua-Hot has been completely shut down and that all power sources have been disconnected.
2. Also, ensure that the motor home is not connected to shore power and that a generator is not connected during this replacement procedure.
3. Remove the AC access cover.
4. Release the wires from the defective AC relay by removing the corresponding screw terminals.
5. Remove the defective relay by drilling the rivets that hold the defective relay in place.
6. Rivet the replacement AC relay to the AC access cover.
7. Using the wiring diagram in Appendix A, connect the wires previously removed to the replacement AC relay.
8. Reinstall the AC access cover.



## Electronic Controller Overview

The electronic controller is an electronic circuit board that controls the electrical functions of the Hydro-Hot heating system. All wiring for the switch panel is connected to the electronic controller, as well as the wiring circuitry from the

Hydro-Hot unit. Indicator lights on the front panel will illuminate red if there is a short circuit, overload, or fault condition within the system. It also will indicate when circuits are functioning properly with a green indicator light.

**Figure 20**



## Electronic Controller General Facts

Nominal input voltage range ..... 10.6V to 15V  
 Idle current ..... Approx. 15mA  
 Low voltage cutoff threshold ..... 10.0V  
 Low voltage lockout delay ..... Approx. 5 minutes

### Input Load Currents

Zone thermostats (each) ..... Approx. 4mA  
 Diesel-Burner switch ..... Approx. 12mA  
 Electric Element switch ..... Approx. 4mA  
 Engine Preheat switch ..... Approx. 4mA  
 Low-level cutoff switch ..... Approx. 10mA  
 Control Thermostat ..... Approx. 8mA  
 Low-temperature cutoff switch ..... Approx. 5mA

### Output Current Capacity

Zone fans (each) ..... 2.0A max.  
 Circulation pumps (each) ..... 2.0A max.  
 Engine preheat pump ..... 2.0A max.  
 AC relay ..... 500mA max.  
 B4+ burner (Webasto) power ..... 6.0A max.  
 B1+ burner master control ..... 2.0A max.  
 C1/C7 burner thermostat control ..... 1.0A max.

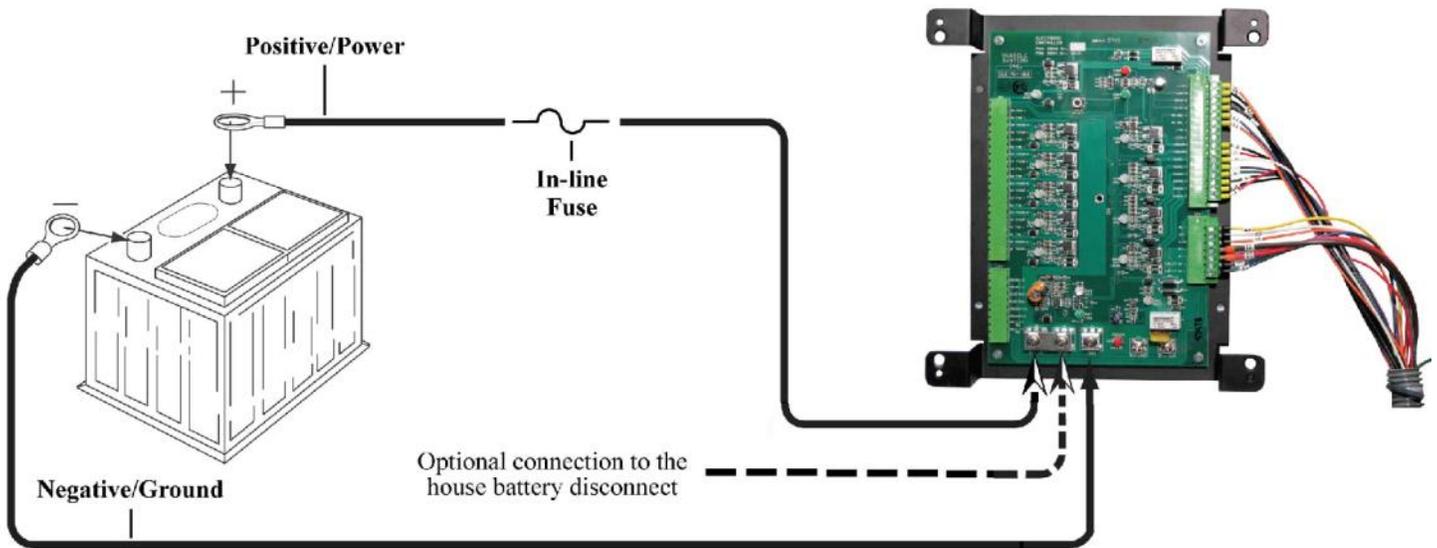
## Electronic Controller Features

### Secondary 12 Volt-DC Battery Connection:

The electronic controller is equipped with two 12 Volt-DC power source connections, which allow for a secondary 12 Volt-DC battery connection. This 12 Volt-DC battery connection is a product-safety feature that should be utilized whenever the Hydro-Hot's main 12 Volt-DC power supply is connected to a battery disconnect switch. This feature will

ensure that the Hydro-Hot will be protected in the event that the primary power is interrupted while the diesel-burner is operating (e.g., during a burn-cycle). This secondary 12 Volt-DC battery connection will ensure completion of the required 3-minute "purge cycle" of the Hydro-Hot's diesel-burner.

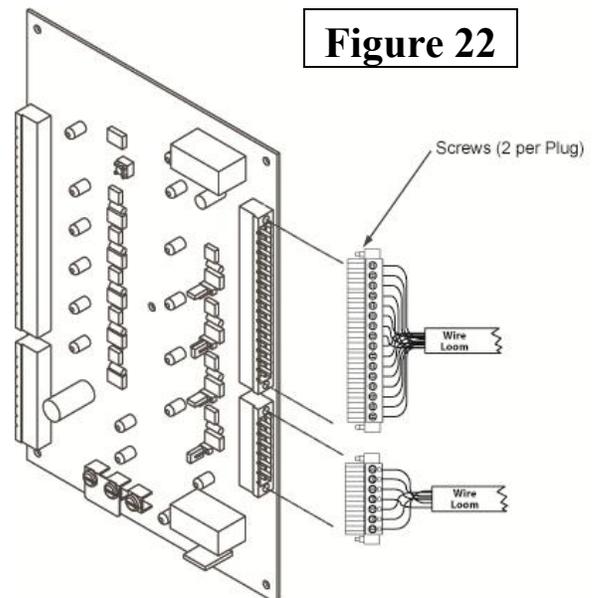
**NOTE:** If the optional power connection is used, remove the jumper plate from the two power terminals - "JP5" and "JP8".



**Figure 21**

### Terminal Strips with Screw-Type Fasteners:

The electronic controller uses terminal strips/plugs that are equipped with screw-type fasteners, which are molded directly into the terminal strip/plug, itself. This will ensure a positive mechanical connection between the electronic controller and all wire harnesses attached to it.



**Figure 22**



## SECTION 5: ELECTRONIC CONTROLLER

### Replacement Procedure:

#### **⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

**FAILURE TO DISCONNECT ALL POWER SUPPLIES AND/OR TO ALLOW THE HEATER TO COOL BEFORE SERVICING COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY.**

1. Ensure that the Hydro-Hot has been completely shut down and that all power sources have been disconnected.
2. Remove the faceplate from the electronic controller by removing the four screws securing it to the mounting bracket.
3. Disconnect the positive, negative, and secondary power (if applicable) wires from the electronic controller.
4. Disconnect the four terminal strips/plugs from the electronic controller by loosening the screws on each strip/plug and pulling each strip/plug away from the electronic controller.
5. Remove the electronic controller from the mounting bracket by unsnapping each corner.

6. Snap the replacement electronic controller into the mounting bracket.
7. Ensure that the pin jumpers are properly configured for a Hydro-Hot; reference information in this section for proper pin-jumper configuration.
8. Install each terminal strip/plug back onto the electronic controller and tighten the screws on the terminal strips/plugs to secure them to the board.

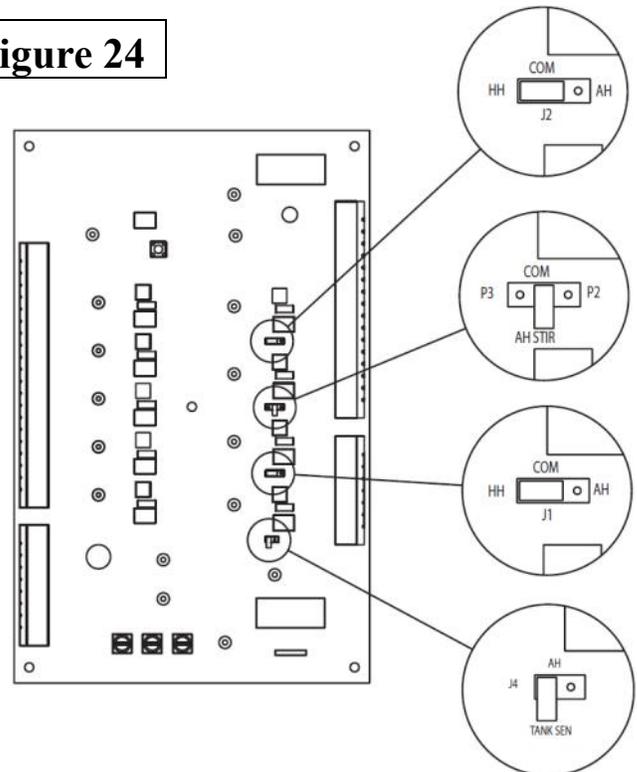
**NOTE:** Check the terminal strips/plugs for loose wires and tighten if loose.

9. Connect the ground wire followed by the main 12 Volt-DC power wire, then the secondary power wire (if applicable) to the appropriate screw terminals on the replacement electronic controller board. Reference Appendix A for additional wiring information.
10. Reinstall the faceplate onto the electronic controller and secure with the four screws previously removed.

### Proper Pin Jumper Configuration:

1. Verify that the pin jumpers are configured as in the illustration in this section. If the pin jumpers do not match the illustration, the Hydro will not function properly.
2. If the jumpers pins need to be reconfigured, simply tug gently on the black cap covering the pins to pull the black cap off.
3. Reseat the cap on the pins appropriately as per the illustration.

**Figure 24**



## SECTION 6: ELECTRONIC CONTROLLER INDICATOR LIGHTS

### **Electric Heating Element Status**

This indicator light shows the status of the electric heating element by illuminating green for on, red for fault, or by turning off when the element switch is turned off.

If the light is off and the electric element switch on the interior switch panel is off, then the system is functioning correctly. If the indicator light is green and the electric element switch on the interior switch panel is on, the system is also functioning correctly.

If the light is red and the electric element switch on the interior switch panel is on, then there is a short in the electric element circuit. This could be due to a bad connection, a bad switch on the interior switch panel, or an issue with the AC relay.

### **Heating Zone Status (1-5)**

These lights indicate the status of each motor home room thermostat and the respective heat exchanger fan(s). The indicator light will illuminate green when the system is on and functioning properly, red when on and not functioning, and the light will be off when the system is off.

If a fault condition occurs, this could be due to a wiring issue, a faulty thermostat, or issues with the heat exchanger fans.

### **Low Battery Voltage Fault**

This indicator light illuminates red when the DC voltage is below 10.5 Volts for Longer than 5 minutes, and it will be off when the system has adequate voltage.

If the light becomes red, the switch may be reset (after restoring voltage) by pressing the *Low Voltage Reset Button* on the electronic controller with a long, thin, nonmetallic object, or by turning the diesel-burner switch on the interior switch panel off for 30 seconds, then turning it back on.

### **Low-Temp Cutoff Status**

The Low Temp Cutoff thermostat shuts the interior heat off when domestic hot water is being used, and activates the stir pump in conjunction with the diesel burner switch.

When the indicator light is green, it indicates that the heater

is up to operating temperature and hot water is not being used. It also indicates that the interior heating zones will operate.

When the indicator light is off, it indicates there is a demand for domestic hot water, or the heater is not up to operating temperature, and the interior heat will not operate.

### **Low Tank-Level Cutoff**

The Low Tank-Level Cutoff senses the level of antifreeze in the boiler tank, and will shut the Diesel-Burner and the Electric Heating element OFF, when the light illuminates red.

Under normal operating conditions, this light will not be illuminated because an adequate level of antifreeze and water heating solution within the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank exists.

When illuminated (red only), four possible issues exist - the antifreeze and water heating solution level is inadequate and must be refilled, there is a short in the wiring to the fluid level sensor, or the fluid level sensor is not operating properly, or the Electronic Controller is defective

### **Heating Status**

This indicator light will illuminate (green only) when the diesel-burner and/or the electric heating element switch on the interior switch panel is on, and the control thermostat is calling for heat.

If the heater is functioning and the light is not illuminated, or the heater is not functioning and the light is illuminated, there is an issue with the wiring or one of the components.

### **Engine Preheat Pump**

This indicator light shows the status of the engine preheat pump by illuminating green for on, red for fault, or by turning off when the engine preheat pump is not operating.

The system is functioning correctly when the indicator light is green while the engine preheat switch on the interior switch panel is on, the electric element and/or diesel-burner switch is on, and the engine preheat pump is operating.

The system is also functioning correctly when the engine preheat switch is off and the engine preheat pump is not operating.

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If the red light illuminates when the pump should be functioning, then there is either an issue with the wiring or the engine preheat pump.

**NOTE:** The Low-Temp Cut-Off light must be illuminated for the Engine Preheat pump to be activated.

### **Pump #1**

This indicator light shows the status of the circulation pump that controls the fluid for Heating Zones #1 and #5 by illuminating green for on, red for fault, and by turning off when the system is off.

The system is functioning properly if the coach thermostat is calling for heat, the pump is operating, and the light is green.

The system is also functioning properly if the pump and light are off and the thermostat is not calling for heat.

If the light is red under any condition, then there is either an issue with the wiring or the circulation pump.

### **Pump #2**

This indicator light shows the status of the circulation pump that controls the fluid for Heating Zones #2, #3, and #4 by illuminating green for on, red for fault, and by turning off when the system is off.

The system is functioning properly if the motor home interior thermostat is calling for heat, the circulation pump is active, and the indicator light is green.

The system is also functioning properly if the circulation pump and indicator light are off and the thermostat is not calling for heat.

If the light is red under any condition, there is either an issue with the wiring or the circulation pump.

### **Pump #3 - Stir Pump**

This indicator light shows the status of the stir pump by illuminating green for on, red for fault, and by turning off when either the Low Temp Cut-Off Status light is illuminated, with

the Diesel-Burner Switch on, or the Diesel-Burner Switch is turned off.

The system is functioning if the Stir Pump is operating when the Diesel Burner Status light is illuminated and the Low Temp Cut-Off light is extinguished (i.e. running hot water).

The system is also functioning properly if the stir pump and indicator light are off when the Diesel-Burner Status light and the Low Temp Cut-Off status lights are illuminated, or the Diesel Burner Switch is turned off.

If the light is red under any condition, then there is an issue with either the wiring or the stir pump.

### **Diesel-Burner Status**

This indicator light shows the status of the diesel-burner by illuminating green when the diesel-burner is on, red for fault, and by turning off when the diesel-burner switch is turned off.

If the diesel-burner switch on the interior switch panel is in the on position, then the indicator light should be illuminated green.

When the Diesel-Burner switch on the interior switch panel is in the off position, the indicator light will not be illuminated.

If the indicator light turns red, there is either a short in the wiring or the diesel-burner is in need of servicing. When checking the wiring, be sure to verify that the diesel-burner controller's harness connectors are completely locked together. Also verify the Photo Eye Wires have not been pinched. Reference section 9 of this manual for additional diesel-burner information.

### **Overload Fault**

This indicator light shows the status of the DC voltage applied to the electronic controller and the Hydro-Hot. Under normal operating conditions, this indicator light is off.

This light illuminates red when the Hydro-Hot is shut down due to excessive DC voltage (over 14.8 Volts) and/or the electronic controller has overheated. Once the excessive voltage issue is resolved, the electronic controller will reset itself.

## SECTION 7: DIESEL-BURNER OVERVIEW

### Diesel-Burner Overview

The Hydro-Hot's diesel-burner is a device that ignites a mixture of diesel fuel and air within a controlled setting to serve as a heat source. The flame is established in a combustion chamber within the Hydro-Hot's boiler tank, and the heat

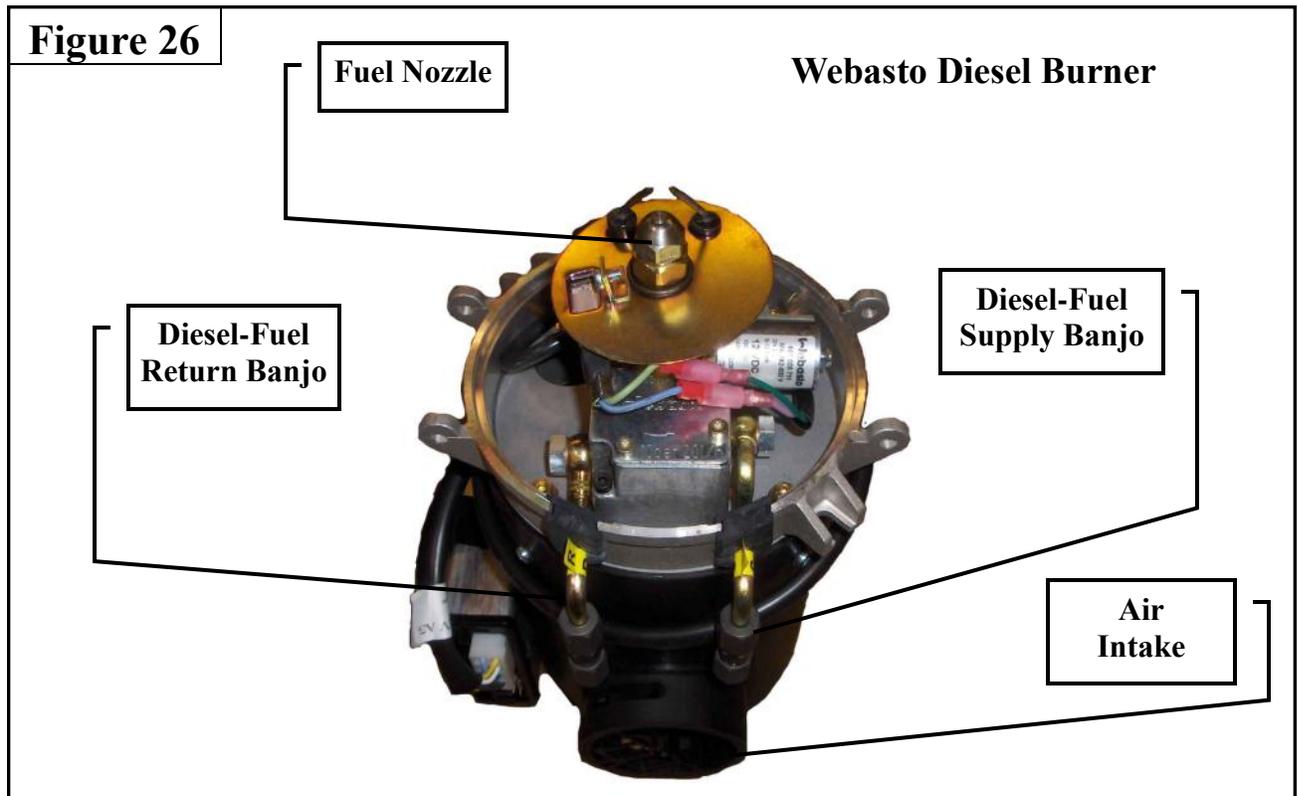
from the flame is transferred to the antifreeze and water heating solution where it can be used for each system of the Hydro-Hot - domestic hot water, interior heat, and engine pre-heat.

**Figure 25**

**Diesel-Burner I.D. Plate**

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Assembled in USA		
Heater Model	DBW2010.75	
Voltage/Power	12V/60W	
Output	13.2kW-45000Btu/h	
Fuel Type	Diesel No.1/No.2 and Artic	
Max. Operating Pressure	2 bar-29PSI	
		
Heater No. 90915E Vers. 75		Serial No. 727107
Year of Installation	08 09 10 11 12	

**Figure 26**



**Figure 27**

- 1. Diesel-Burner Controller
- 2. Motor
- 3. Ignition Coil
- 4. Clutch
- 5. Combustion Air Blower
- 6. Fuel Solenoid Valve
- 7. Electrode Boots
- 8. Ignition Electrodes
- 9. Fuel Nozzle
- 10. Heat Exchanger
- 11. Combustion Chamber
- 12. Exhaust Port
- 13. Flame Sensor
- 14. Fuel Pump
- 15. Fuel Tubes (Supply / Return)
- 16. Combustion Air Intake Port, with Adjustable Shutter

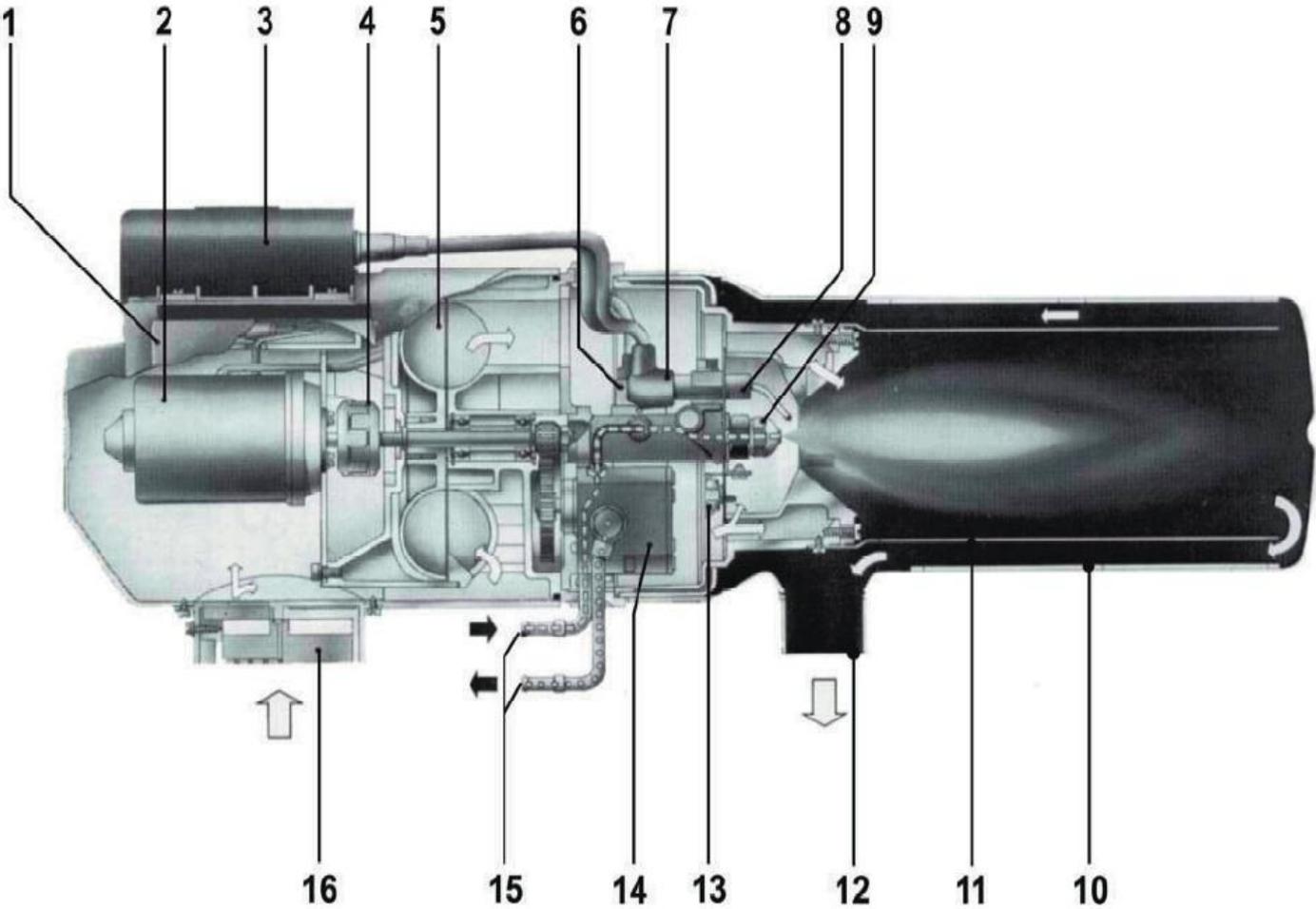
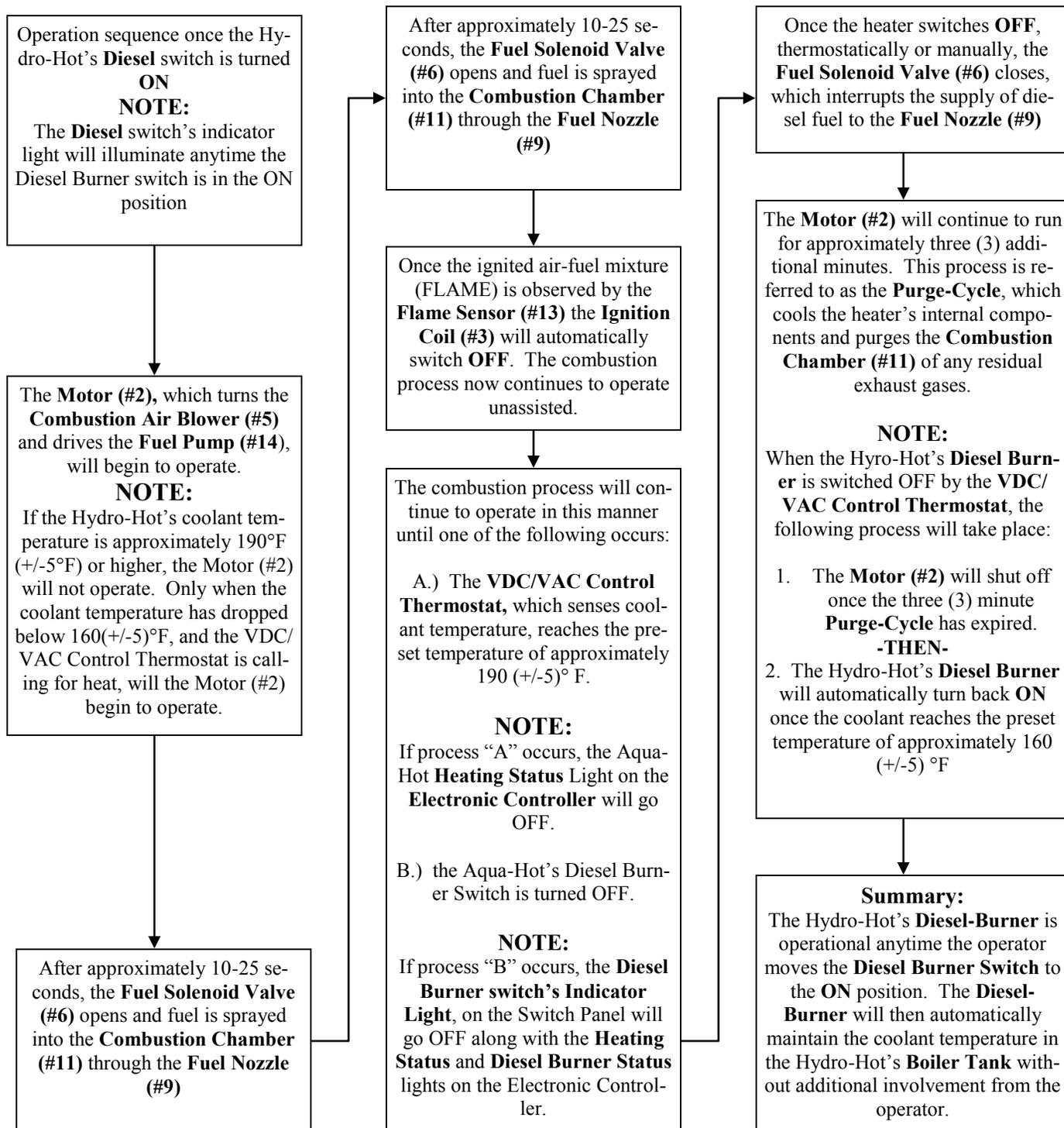


Chart 2

**Operational Flow-Chart**

**Diesel-Burner Operations:**

The following sequence illustrates how the Diesel-Burner operates once it is activated. Also, if diesel-burner malfunctions are experienced, use this sequence of operating events

as a diagnostic tool to determine at what point in the diesel-burner's operation the malfunction is occurring. Use the "KEY" provided to understand each symbol shown.

**Figure 28**

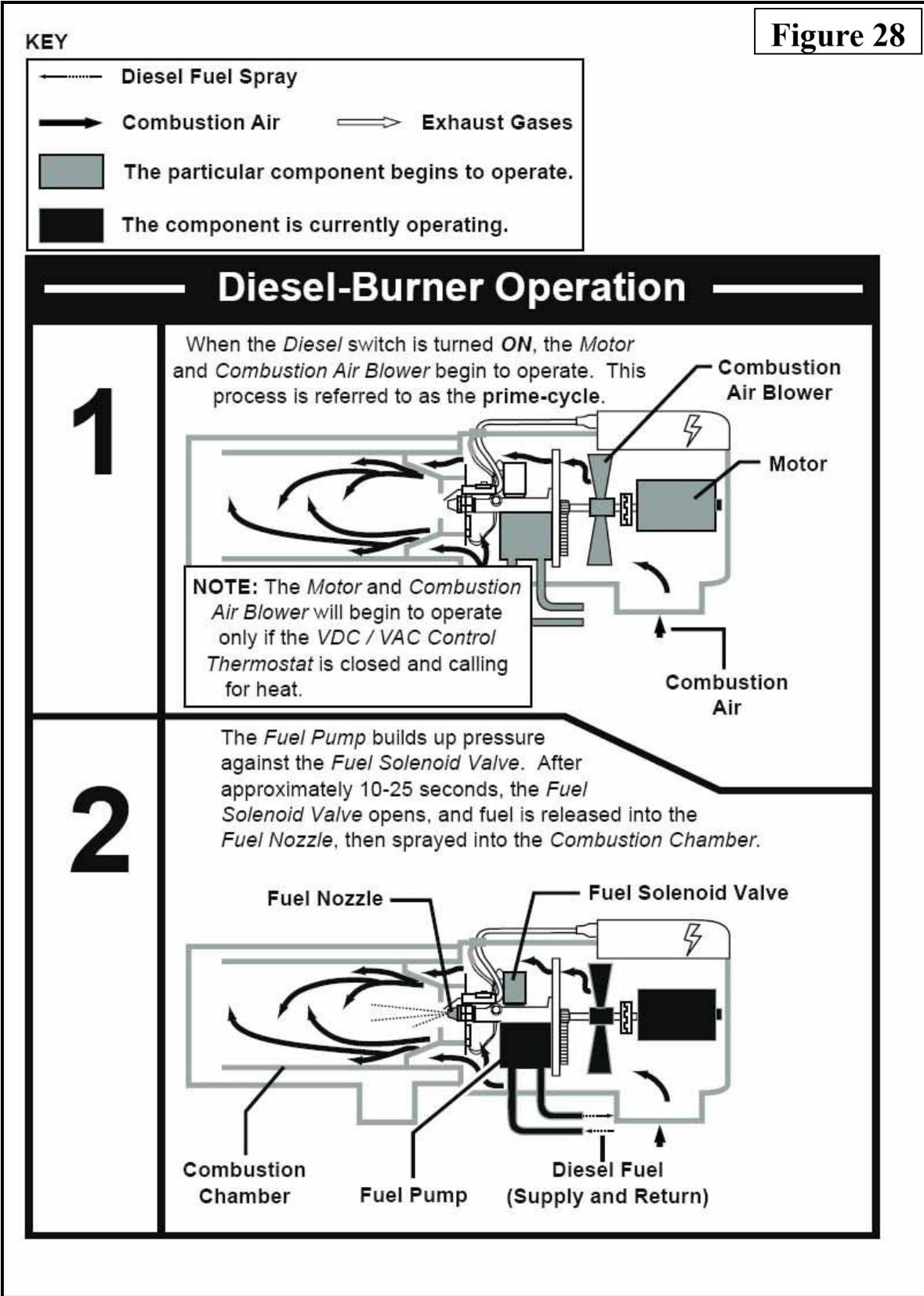


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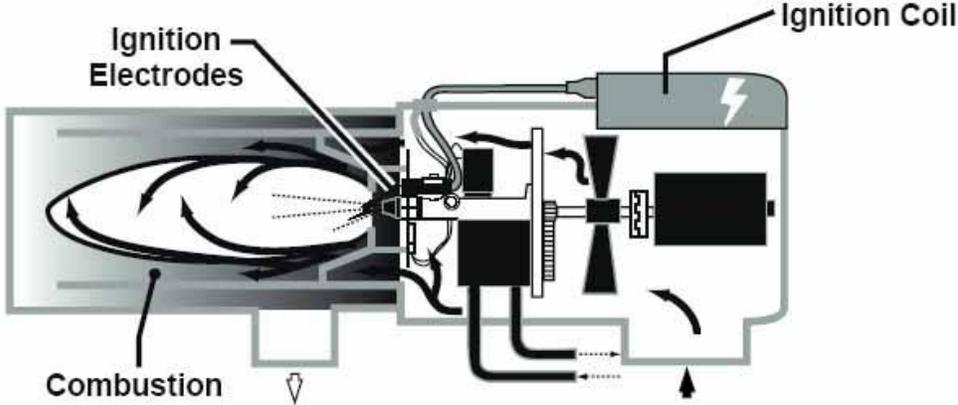
KEY

-  Diesel Fuel Spray
-  Combustion Air
-  Exhaust Gases
-  The particular component begins to operate.
-  The component is currently operating.

### Diesel-Burner Operation, continued

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The *Ignition Coil* produces a high voltage spark, which is transferred across the *Ignition Electrodes*. The incoming air-fuel mixture is then ignited, creating combustion.



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The combustion's flame is detected by the *Flame Sensor* and the *Ignition Coil* is then automatically switched off (no more spark across the *Ignition Electrodes*).

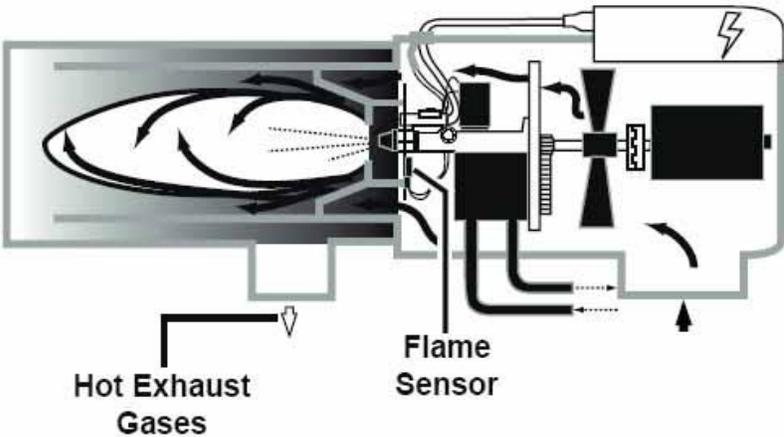


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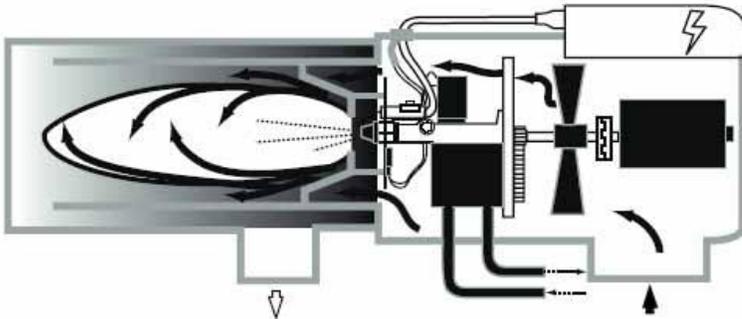
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-  Diesel Fuel Spray
-  Combustion Air 
-  The particular component begins to operate.
-  The component is currently operating.

### Diesel-Burner Operation, continued

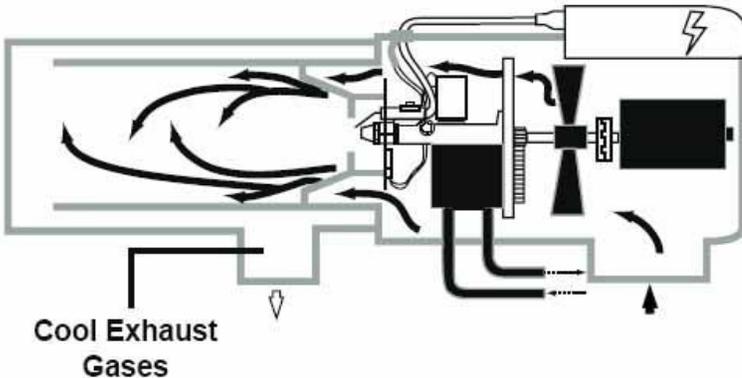
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The *Diesel-Burner* will continue to produce heat in this manner until it is switched off either manually or by the *VDC / VAC Control Thermostat*, which occurs when the coolant temperature in the *Aqua-Hot's Boiler Tank* reaches 190 (+/- 5) degrees Fahrenheit.



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Once the *Diesel-Burner* has switched **OFF**, the *Motor* and *Combustion Air Blower* will continue to operate for approximately 2-3 minutes. This process is referred to as the **purge-cycle**.



**NOTE:** Whenever the *Diesel-Burner* is switched off by the *VDC/VAC Control Thermostat*, it will automatically be reactivated once the *Aqua-Hot Boiler Tank's* coolant reaches the preset temperature of approximately 160 (+/-) 5 degrees Fahrenheit.

### Instructions for Detaching the Diesel Burner

#### WARNING!

Be sure to move the Diesel-Burner switch on the Interior Switch Panel to the OFF position and disconnect the Diesel-Burner's power supply before detaching the Diesel-Burner from the Hydro-Hot. Failure to turn off the Diesel-Burner and disconnect power could result in serious bodily injury.

#### CAUTION!

Be sure to clamp off the Fuel Supply and Return lines at the ports on top of the Hydro-Hot prior to beginning this replacement procedure.

#### Step 1: Turn Off the Diesel Switch

Figure 31



1. Move the Interior Switch Panel's Diesel-Burner switch to the "OFF" position.

#### Step 2: Remove the Access Cover

Figure 32a

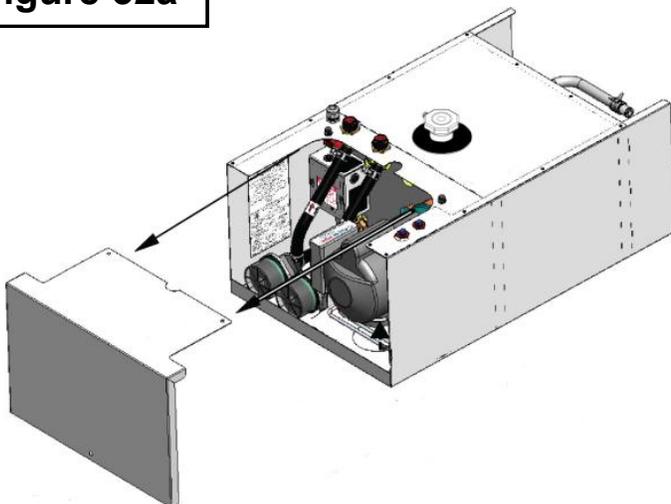
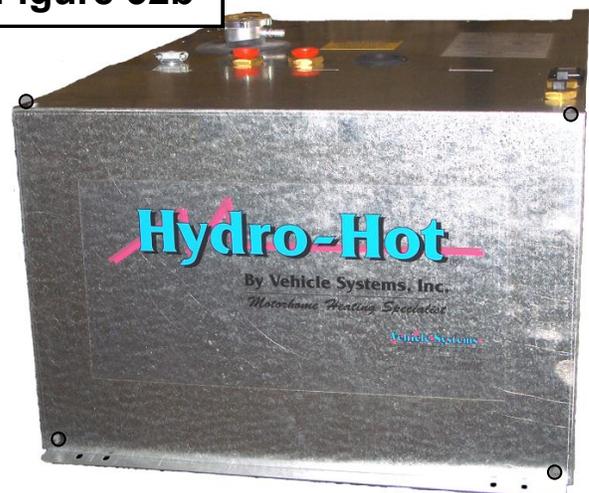


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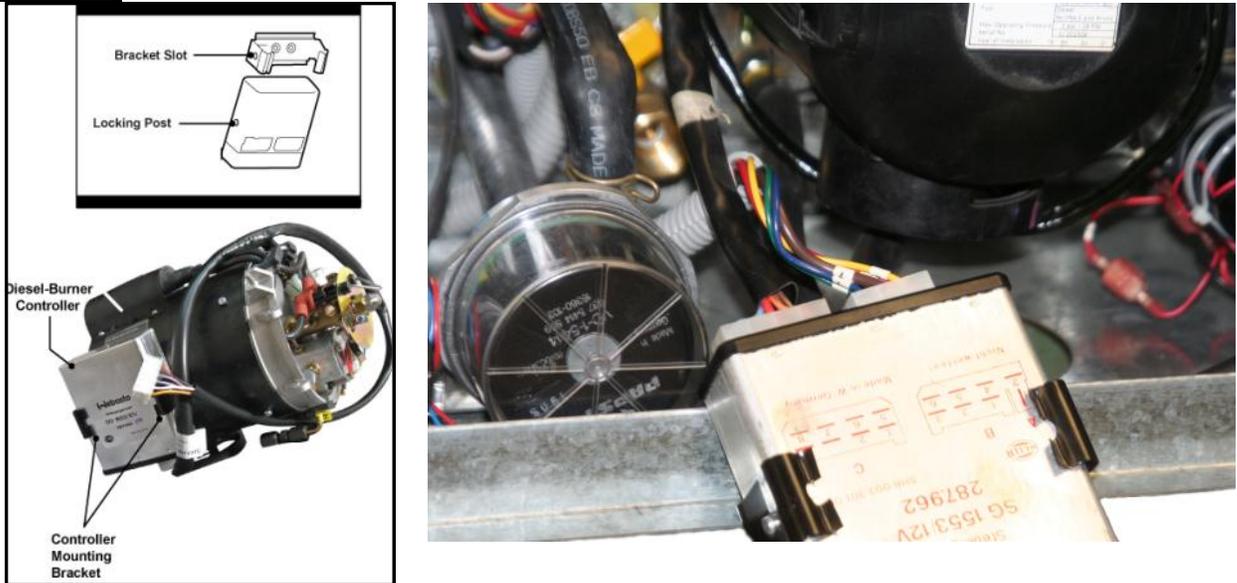


1. Remove the Hydro-Hot's access cover by locating the screws securing it in place.
2. Unscrew the four screws securing the front of the cover in place.

## SECTION 8: DETACHING AND REATTACHING THE DIESEL BURNER

### Step 3: Disconnect the Diesel Burner's Controller

Figure 33



1. Locate the Diesel-Burner's Controller and disconnect both plugs.

### Step 4: Remove the fuel lines from the Hydro-Hot

Figure 34a

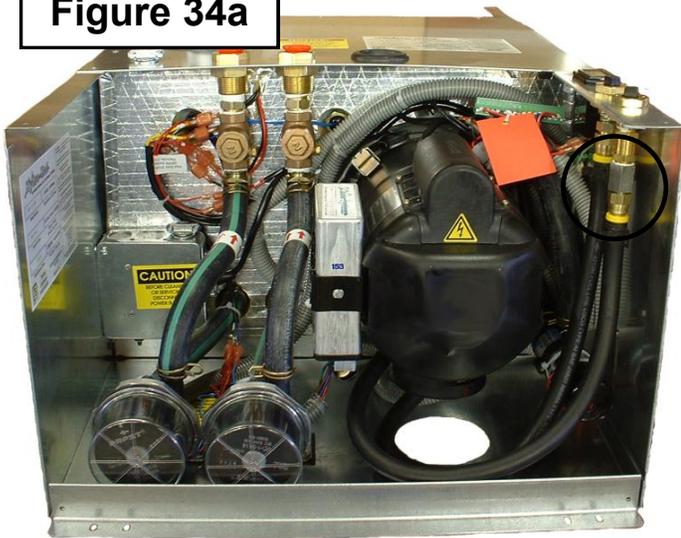


Figure 34b



1. Locate where the fuel lines on the diesel burner connect to the Hydro-Hot Bulkhead fittings.
2. Using an 11/16 wrench, loosen the nuts securing each fuel line to the Hydro-Hot.

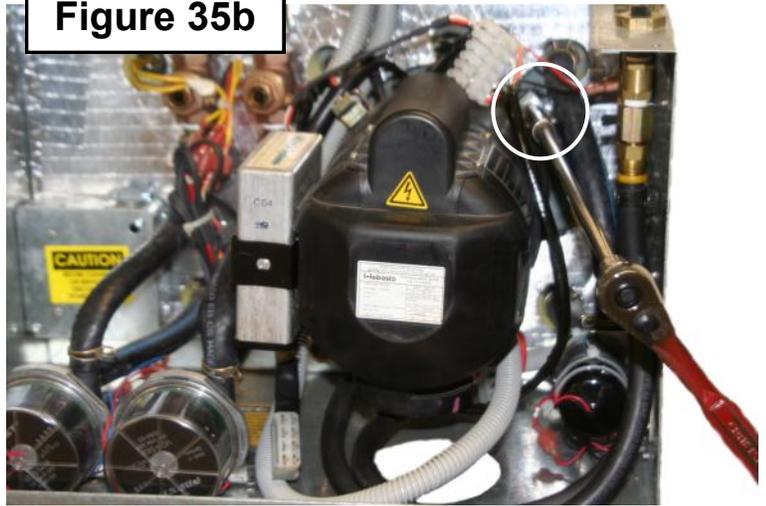
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### Step 5: Remove the Diesel Burner from the Hydro-Hot

Figure 35a



Figure 35b



1. The Diesel-Burner is secured to the Hydro-Hot with two nuts that can be loosened, and swung out of the way by using a 10mm socket wrench with a 10 inch long extension.

Figure 35c



2. Carefully pull the Diesel-Burner away from the Hydro-Hot 4 to 5 inches before rotating the burner, and then remove.

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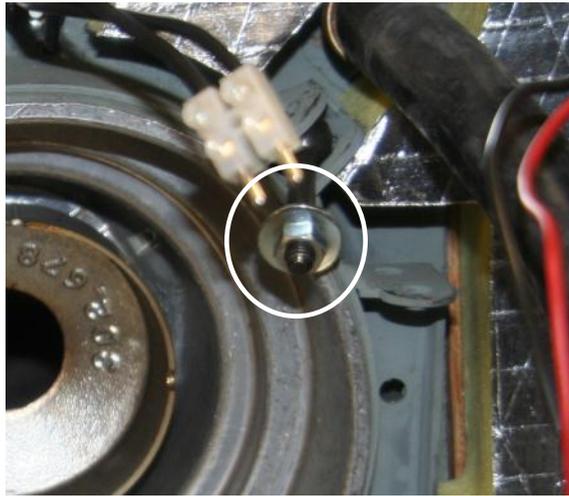
### Reattaching the Diesel Burner to the Aqua-Hot

#### CAUTION!

When reattaching the diesel-burner be sure to properly align the diesel-burner before tightening the eye-bolt nuts. Also, visually inspect all of the rubber grommets on the top and bottom of the diesel-burner's cast-aluminum blower casing to ensure they are in place. **DO NOT** over tighten the eye-bolt nuts. Torque specifications are: approx. 20-40 in. lbs. An improper alignment and/or over tightening of the eye-bolt nuts can cause damage to the diesel-burner's cast aluminum blower casing.

### Step 1: Reattaching the Diesel Burner to the Hydro-Hot

Figure 36a

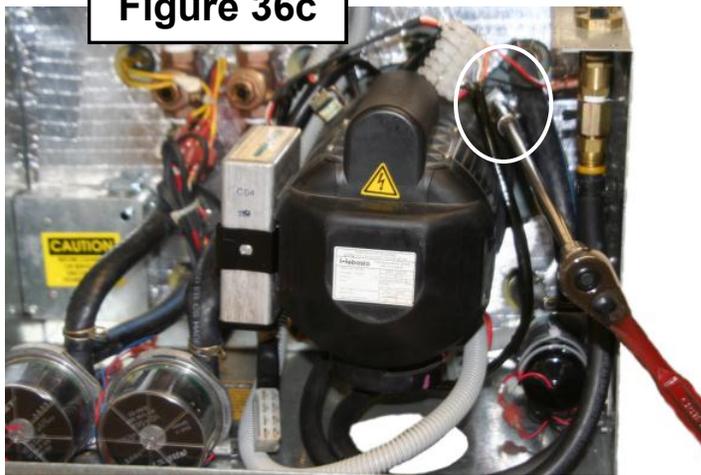


1. The Diesel-Burner is secured to the Hydro-Hot with two eye-bolt nuts that can be swung into place, after the diesel burner has been properly aligned and set in place.

Figure 36b



Figure 36c



2. The eye-bolt nuts can then be tightened by using a 10mm socket wrench with a 10 inch long extension. Use extreme caution when tightening down the eye-bolt nuts, over tightening of the eye-bolt nuts can cause the aluminum blower casing to crack. (Torque Specifications = Approximately 20-40 in. lbs.)

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### Step 2: Reattach the fuel lines to the Hydro-Hot.

Figure 37



1. Align the fuel lines on the diesel burner with the fittings on the Hydro-Hot, and using a 11/16 inch wrench, tighten down both the supply and return fuel fittings.

### CAUTION!

Be sure to remove the clamps, off of the Fuel Supply and Return lines at the ports on top of the Hydro-Hot prior to starting the diesel burner, or serious damage will occur to the diesel-burner's fuel pump.

### Step 3: Plug in the diesel-burner's controller and mount

3. Locate the Diesel-Burner's Controller and connect both plugs.

Figure 38a

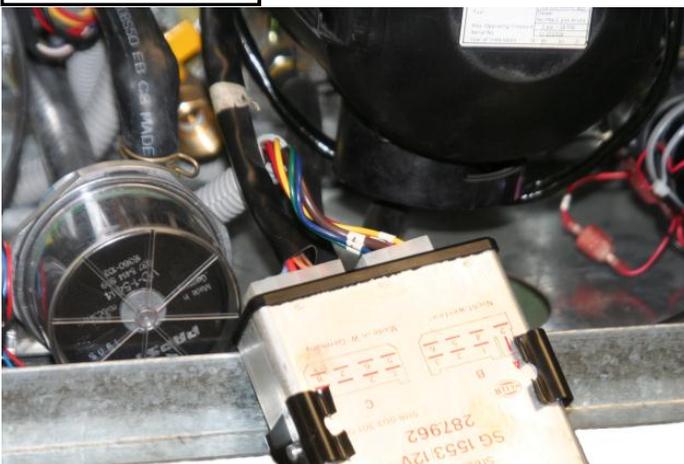
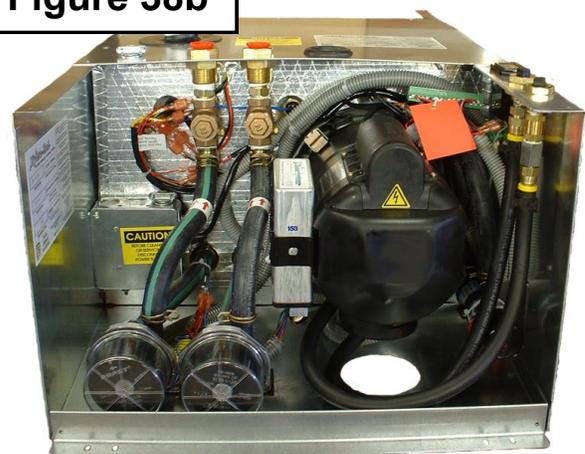


Figure 38b



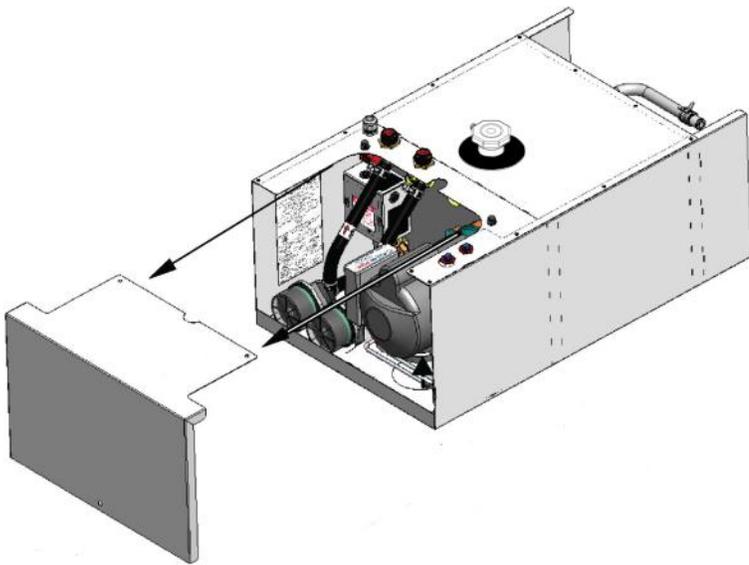
NOTE: The Diesel Burner's Controller might have to be mounted onto the side of the diesel burner, before the plugs are inserted into the control unit, otherwise it might not be possible to mount the control unit.

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### Step 4: Reinstall the Access Cover

**NOTE:** The access cover must be installed prior to operation as a safety switch exists, which will prevent the Hydro-Hot from operating whenever the access cover is not properly installed.

**Figure 39a**



**Figure 39b**

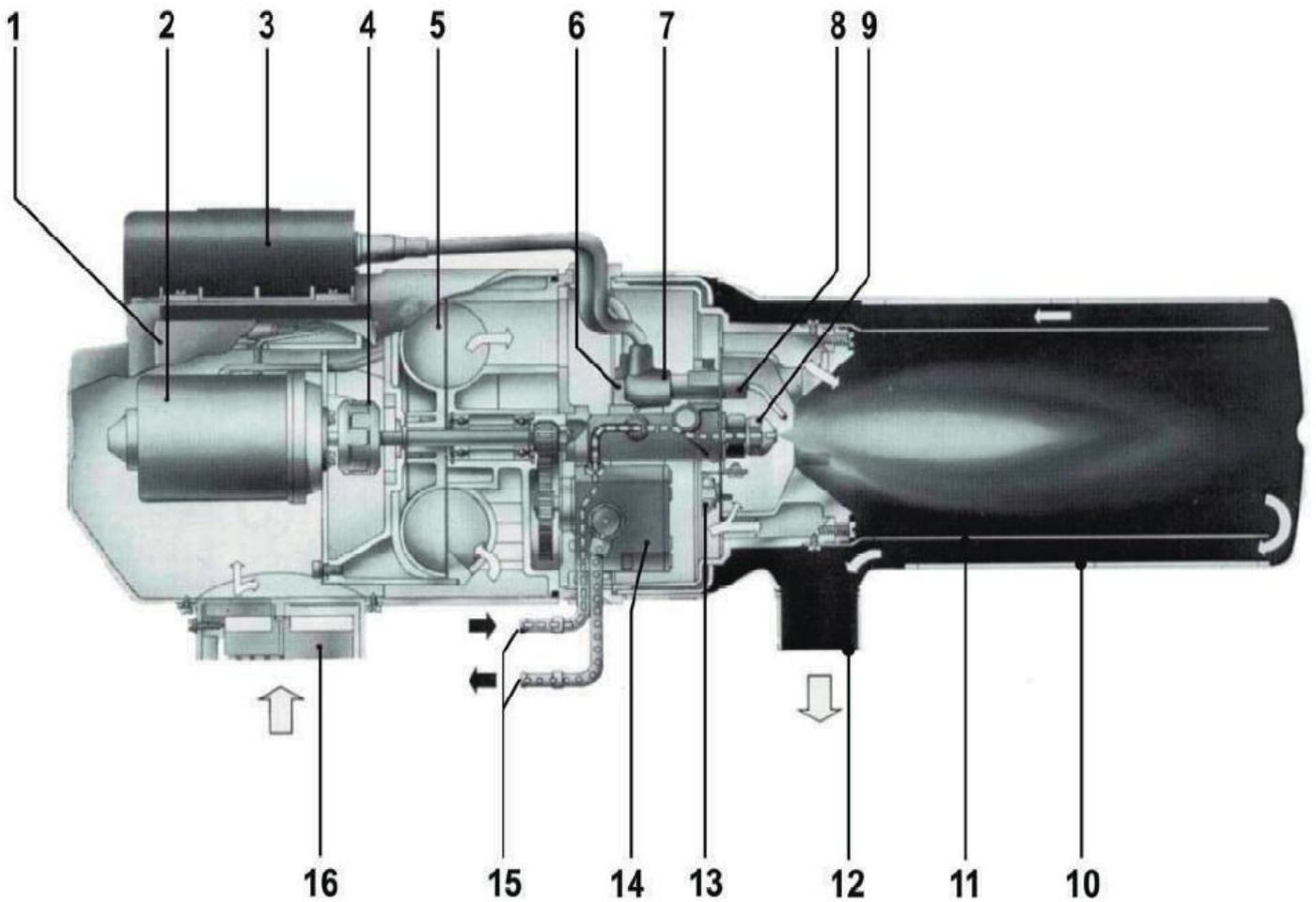


1. Reinstall the Hydro-Hot's access cover .
2. Securely tighten the four screws securing the access cover in place.

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**Figure 40**

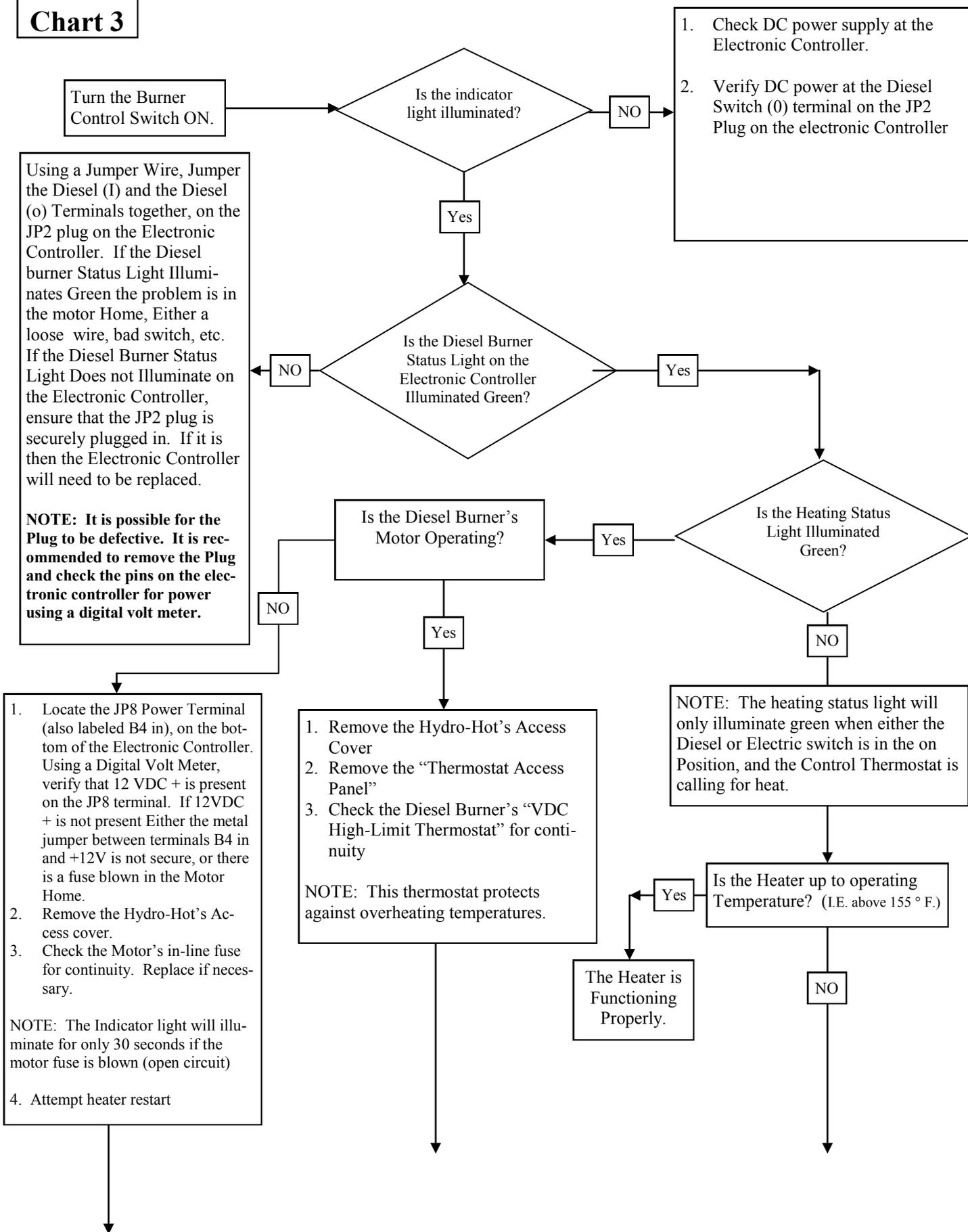
1. Diesel-Burner Controller
2. Motor
3. Ignition Coil
4. Clutch
5. Combustion Air Blower
6. Fuel Solenoid Valve
7. Electrode Boots
8. Ignition Electrodes
9. Fuel Nozzle
10. Heat Exchanger
11. Combustion Chamber
12. Exhaust Port
13. Flame Sensor
14. Fuel Pump
15. Fuel Tubes (Supply / Return)
16. Combustion Air Intake Port, with Adjustable Shutter



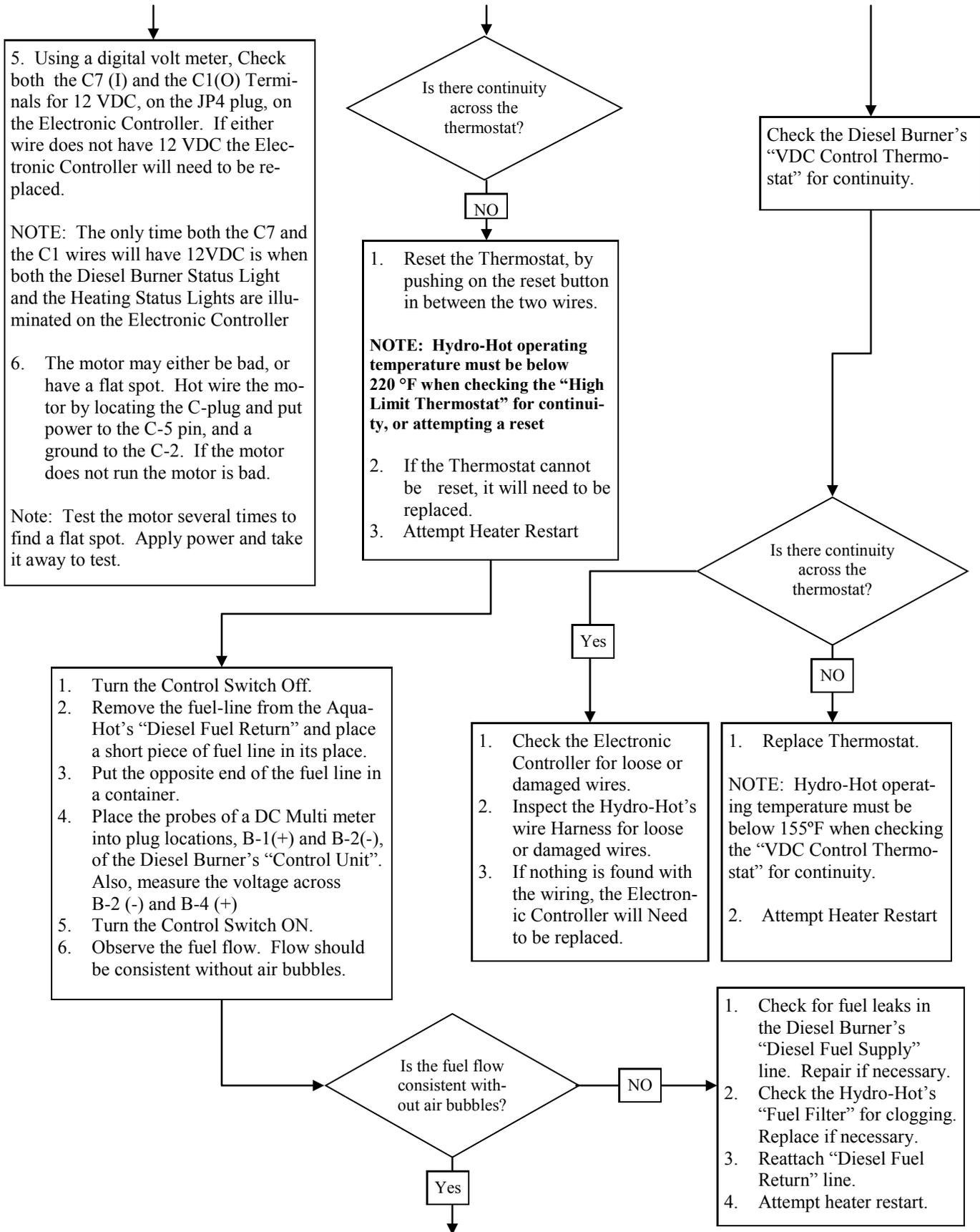
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## Trouble Shooting Flow Chart

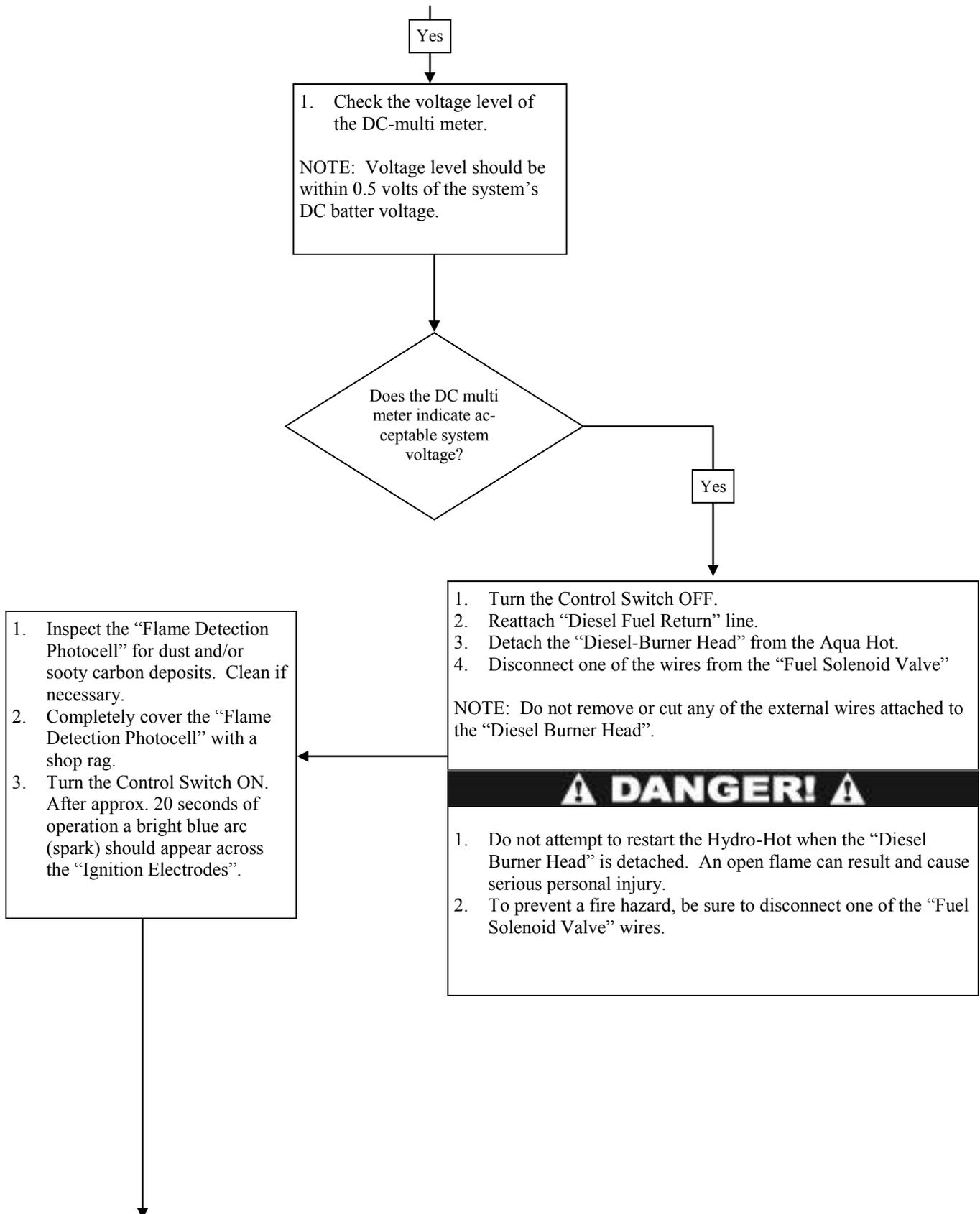
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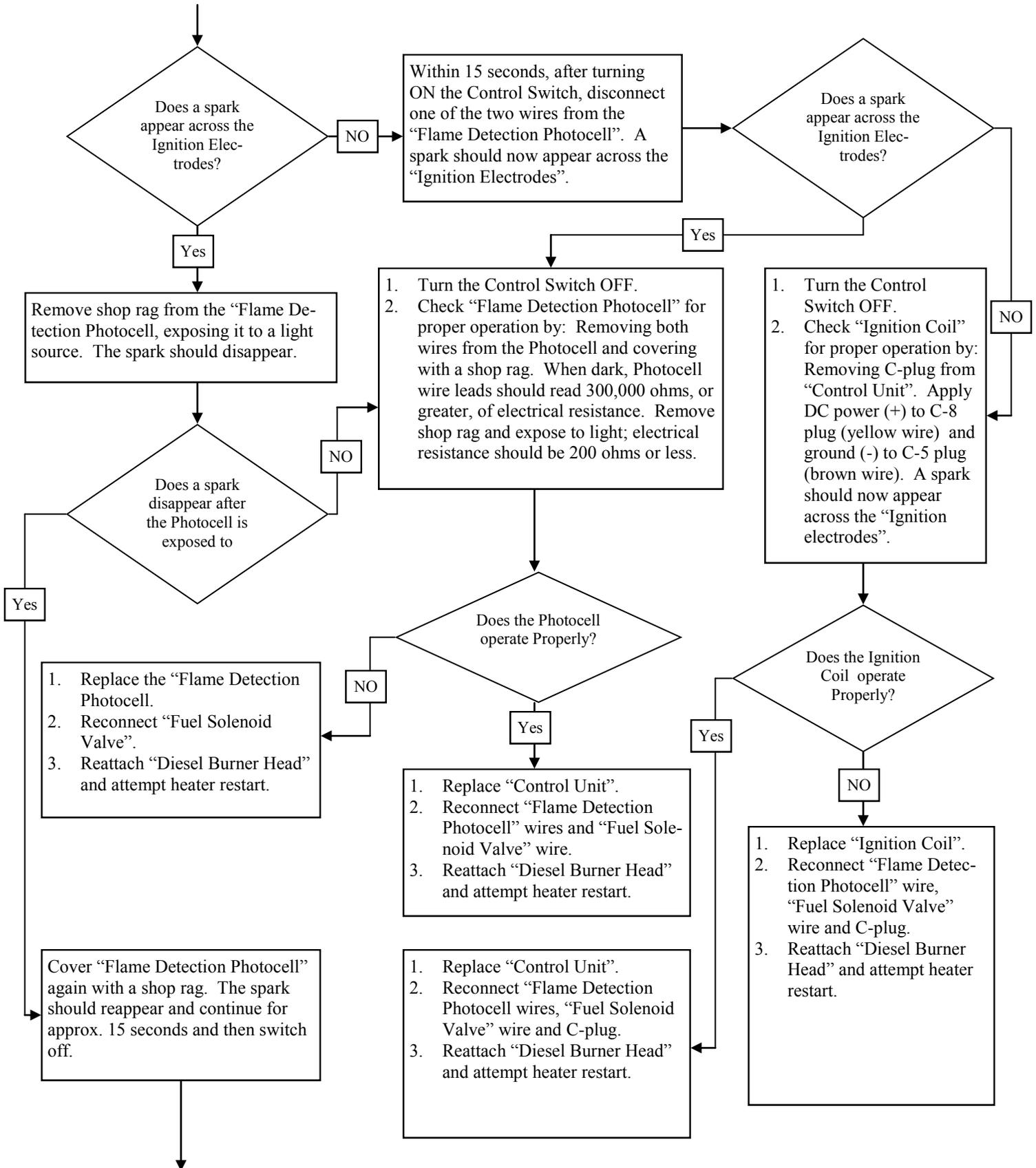
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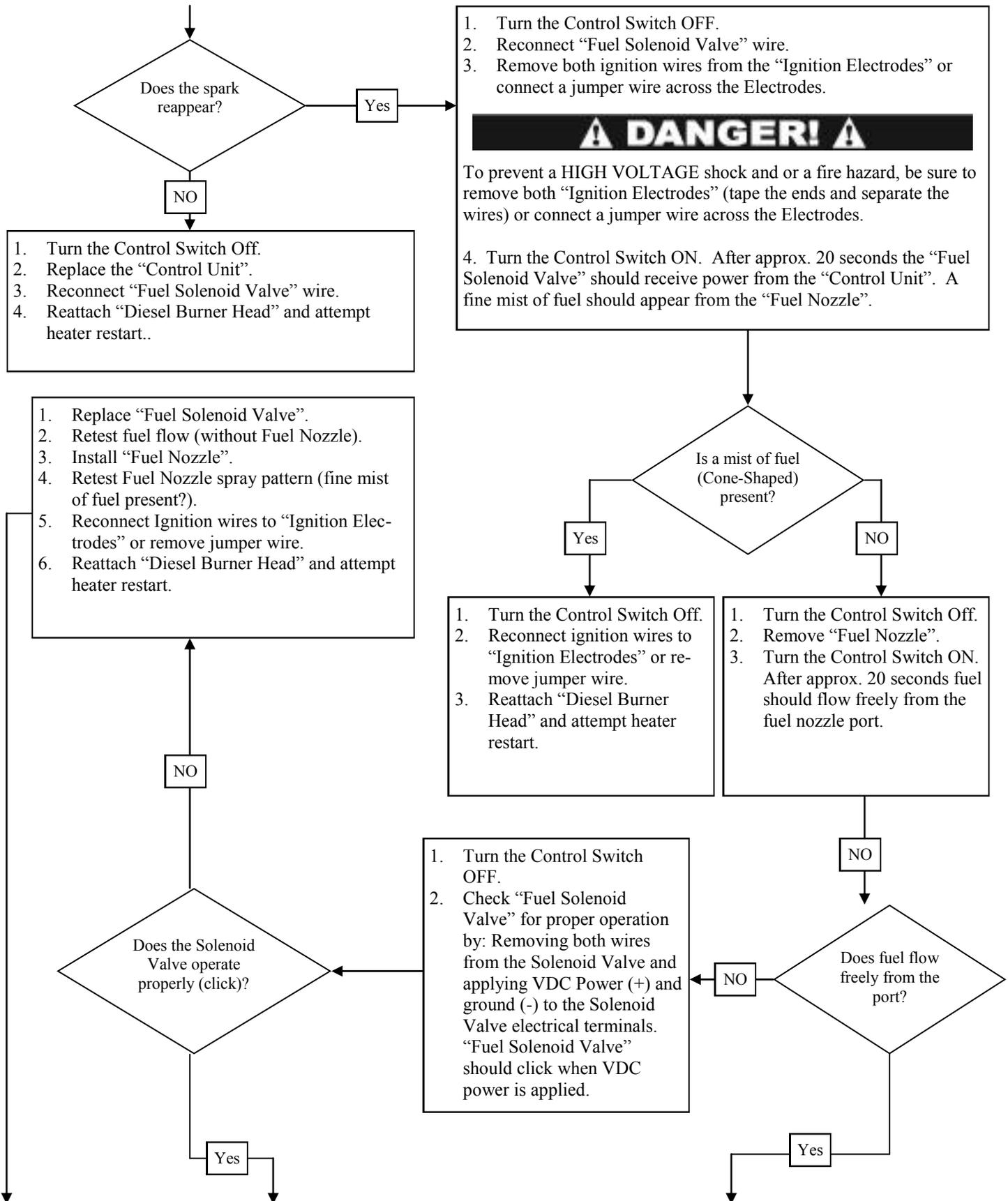
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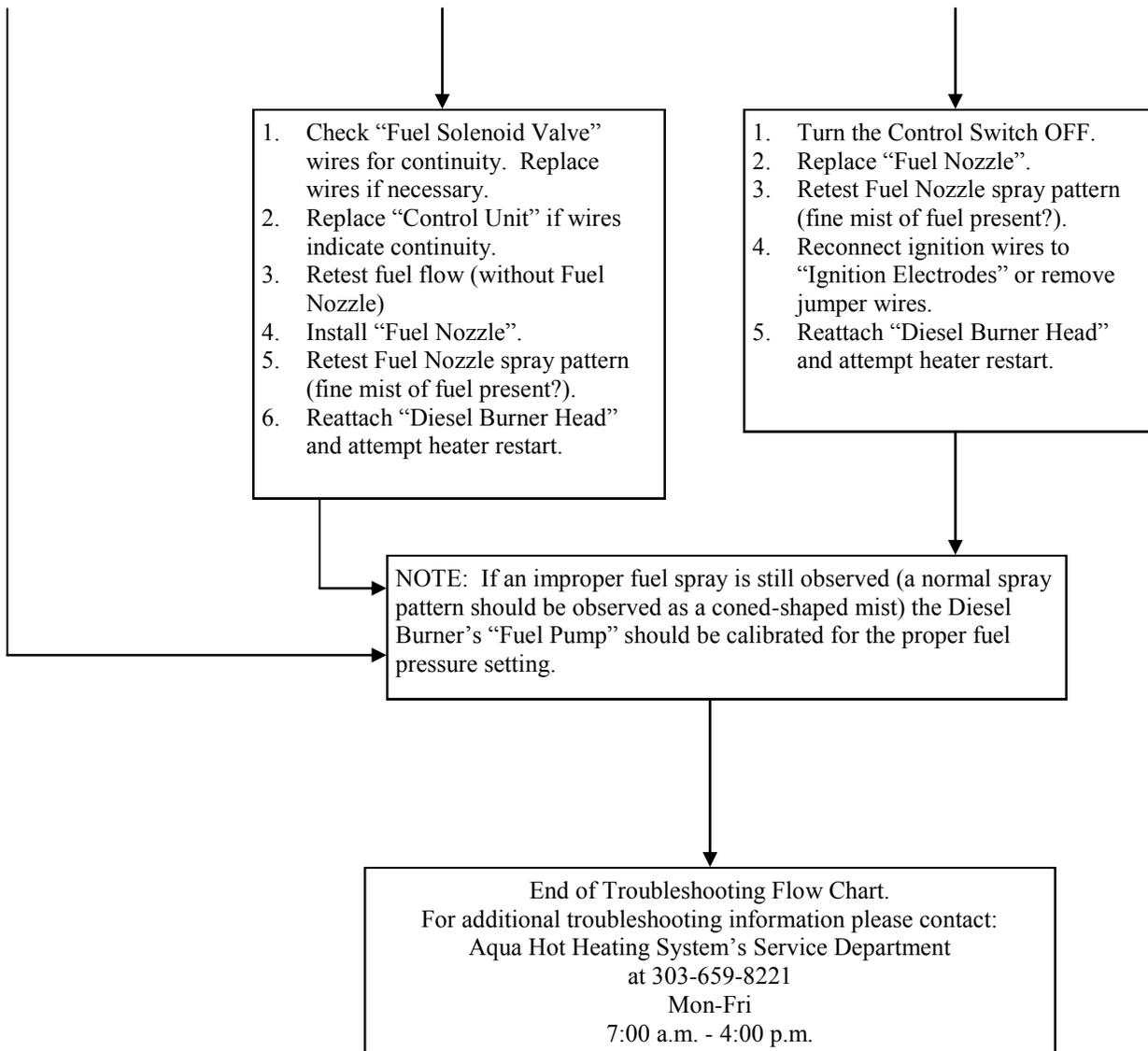
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### Diesel-Burner Motor:

The motor drives the combustion air blower and the fuel pump. In order to perform the following procedures, it may be necessary to detach the diesel-burner head.

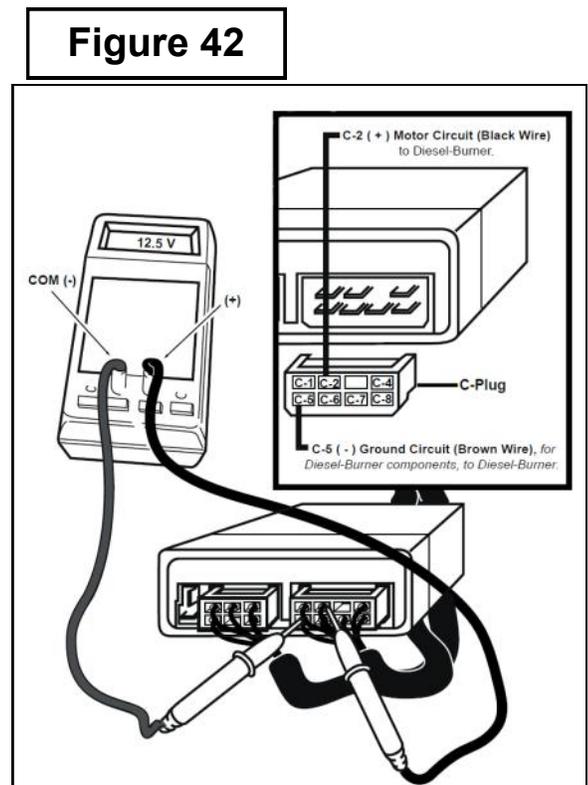
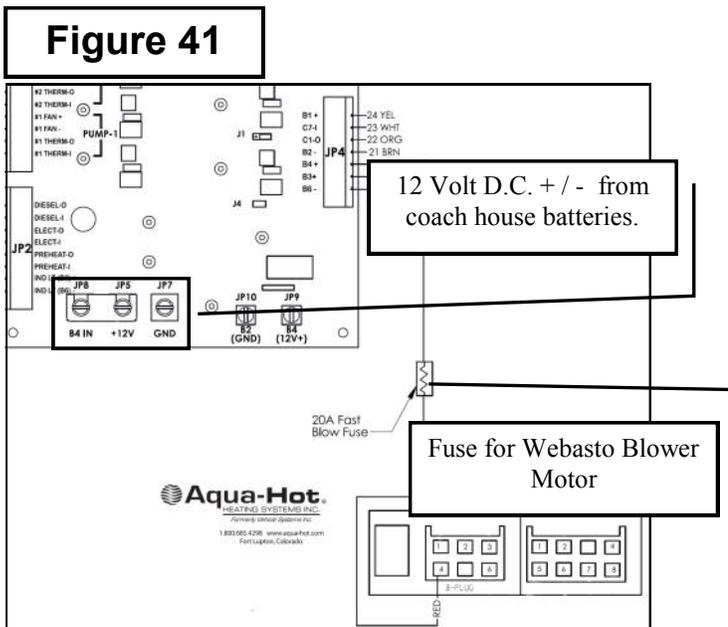
NOTE: The motor may have a flat spot and will cause the burner to work intermittently. When testing the motor be sure to test it multiple times to find the intermittent problem.

#### Component Test:

1. Locate the diesel-burner controller's C-Plug and insert the probes of a DC voltmeter into the C-2 (+) and the C-5 (-) locations.
  - A. Turn the diesel switch **ON** and verify both the diesel burner status light and the heating status lights are illuminated on the electronic controller. If either light is not illuminated, follow the troubleshooting guide for that particular component.
  - B. Observe the voltage level. If a normal voltage registers on the voltmeter and the motor is not operating, inspect the C-Plug Harness for loose or damaged wire connections. If the C-Plug harness and connections are in good condition, but the motor is not operation the motor must be replaced.

If there is no 12 Volts D.C. present on the C-2 pin, continue.

2. Verify the Electronic Controller is sending power to the diesel burner motor.
  - A. Using a volt meter, check for 12 Volt-DC on the JP4 plug, on the B4 + pin (red wire #3). If no power is present verify the electronic controller is receiving power from the batteries.
    - i. Locate the main power terminals on the bottom of the electronic controller.
    - ii. Using a volt Meter, check for 12 Volt - D.C. on the JP 8 terminal. If no voltage is present, verify that either the jumper is in place, that connects pins JP5 and JP8 together, or if there is a power wire hooked up to the JP8 terminal verify that it is receiving 12 Volt D.C. from the Motor home's batteries.
    - iii. If the JP8 pin does have 12 Volt D.C. +, but pin 3, on the JP4 terminal does not have power, replace the electronic controller.



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### Diesel-Burner Motor (continued) -

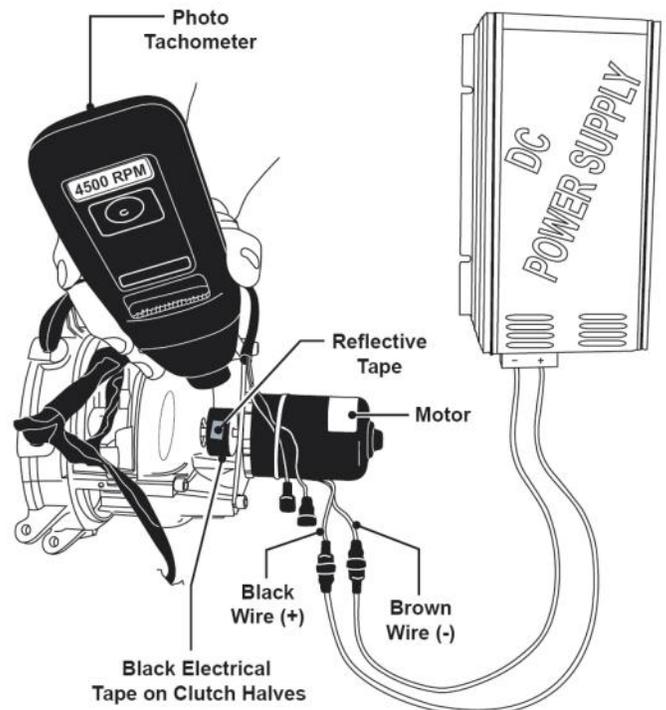
#### RPM Test:

1. Disconnect the ignition cables from the ignition electrodes.
2. Remove the four ignition coil screws that secure the ignition coil to the protection cap.
3. Lift the ignition coil and disconnect its wires from the C-Plug harness wires prior to removing.
4. Remove the protection cap from the diesel-burner so that the motor and clutch halves are exposed.
5. Place a few wraps of black electrical tape around the clutch halves and then place a small piece of reflective tape over the black tape.
6. Disconnect the motor's black (+) and brown (-) wires from the C-plug harnesses black (+) and brown (-) wires.
7. Connect the motor's wires directly to a 12 volt DC power supply.
8. Turn the power supply **ON** and use a photo-tachometer to test for a proper RPM reading.
9. At approximately 12 volts DC the RPM reading should be 4500 RPM's (+/- 300 RPM's.) If the motor's RPM reading is not within the above specs, the motor must be replaced.

**NOTE:** It may be necessary to remove the diesel-burner to remove the bottom two screws securing the protection cap in place. Follow the direction on detaching and reattaching the diesel burner in section 8.

**NOTE:** Test the diesel-burner's bearings prior to reattaching the diesel-burner head or replacing the motor. Worn bearings can cause lower than normal RPM readings and premature motor wear. To properly test for worn bearings, reference the bearings function test section.

**Figure 43**



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### Motor Replacement Procedure:



**Be sure to move the Diesel-Burner switch on the Interior Switch Panel to the OFF position and disconnect the Diesel-Burner's power supply before detaching the Diesel-Burner from the Aqua-Hot. Failure to turn off the Diesel-Burner and disconnect power could result in serious bodily injury.**

1. Follow the directions for detaching the diesel burner in section 8.
2. Remove the four ignition coil screws that secure the ignition coil to the protection cap. Lift the ignition coil to disconnect its wires from the C-plug harness wires prior to removing. Remove the protection cap from the diesel-burner so that the motor clutch halves are exposed.
3. Remove the three hex head screws that secure the motor and flange assembly to the blower housing. Remove the motor and flange assembly along with the clutch halves. Disconnect the motor's black (+) and brown (-) wires from the C-plug harness' wires.

**NOTE:** Inspect the clutch halves for cracks and also ensure that the flat portion in each shaft hole is free of wear and tear. Too much play on the shaft produces a loud clacking noise. If any cracks or wear are detected, the clutch half must be replaced.

4. Detach the motor from the motor flange by removing the two Phillips heads screws that fasten the two parts together.
5. The motor must be mounted to the flange with the wires and drain hole pointing downward and the recessed edge of the motor flange pointing upward. This will ensure a proper protection cap fit.

**NOTE:** Be sure to test the diesel-burner's bearings prior to reinstalling the motor. Worn bearings can cause lower than normal RPM readings and premature motor wear.

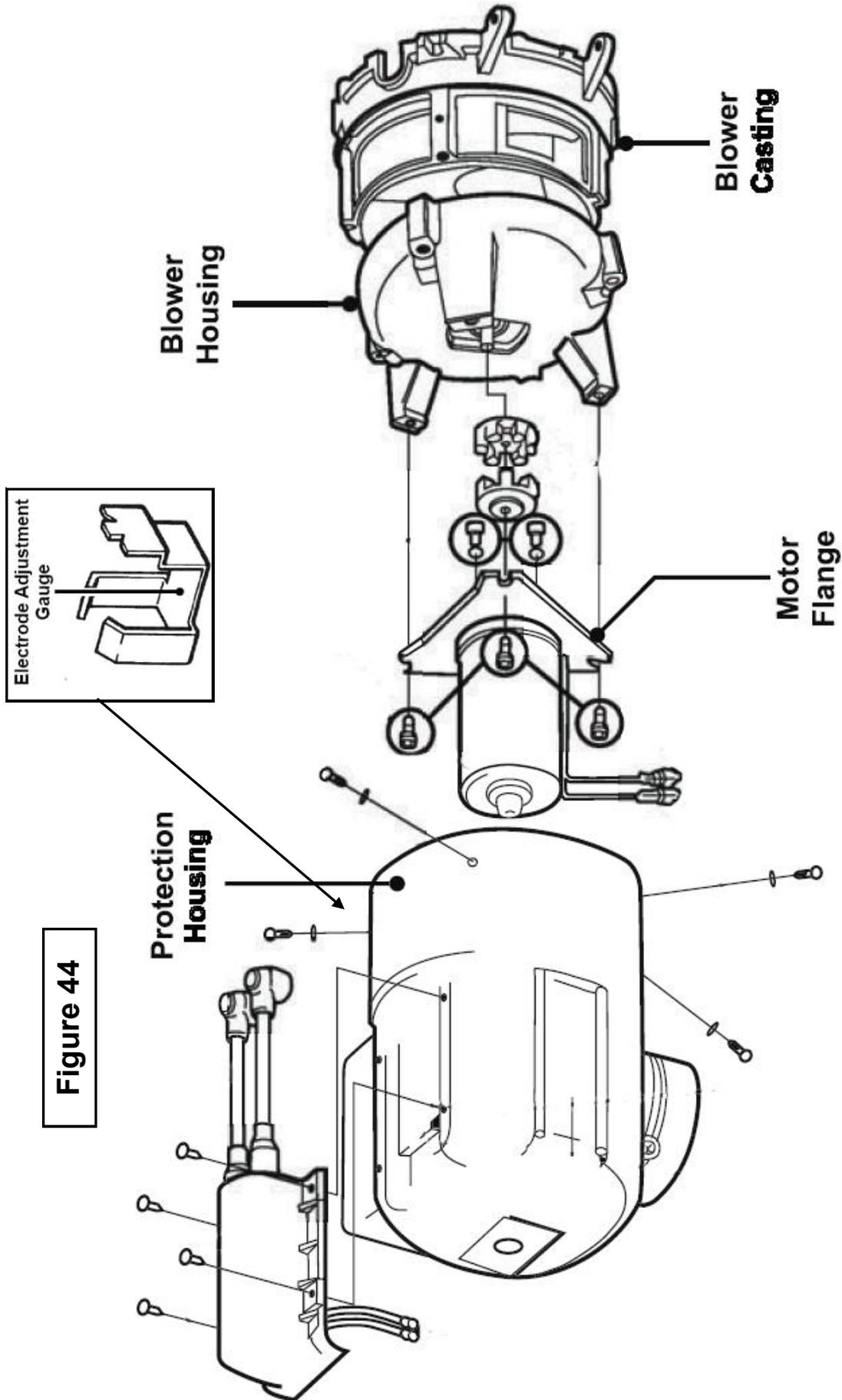
6. Reinstall a clutch half on both the new motor's shaft and the combustion air blower shaft. Attach the motor and flange assembly, with the recessed edge of the motor flange in-line with the wiring access slot of the blower casing, to the blower housing with the three hex head screws.

**NOTE:** Inspect the blower casing's O-ring for damage or wear prior to reinstalling the diesel-burner head's protection cap. If damage or wear exists, replace the O-ring.

7. Connect the black (+) and the brown (-) wires of the new motor to the C-Plug harness' yellow (+) and brown (-) wires. Feed the C-plug harness' yellow and brown wires back through wiring access hole in the protection cap.
8. Reinstall the protection cap. Reconnect the black (+) and brown (-) wires.
9. Reinstall the ignition coil and secure to the protection cap with the four ignition coil screws.
10. Follow the directions for reattaching the diesel burner in section 8.
11. Test for proper operation

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## Motor Replacement Procedure: (continued)



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### Flame Sensor:

The flame sensor is a photo resistive device which supplies the diesel-burner's controller with a DC voltage signal when it detects a flame. When the flame sensor senses the light of the flame, it will shut the ignition coil off, and send a signal to the diesel burner controller indicating that everything is working properly. If the flame sensor does not sense the flame, it will shut the diesel burner down in a default after 20 seconds.

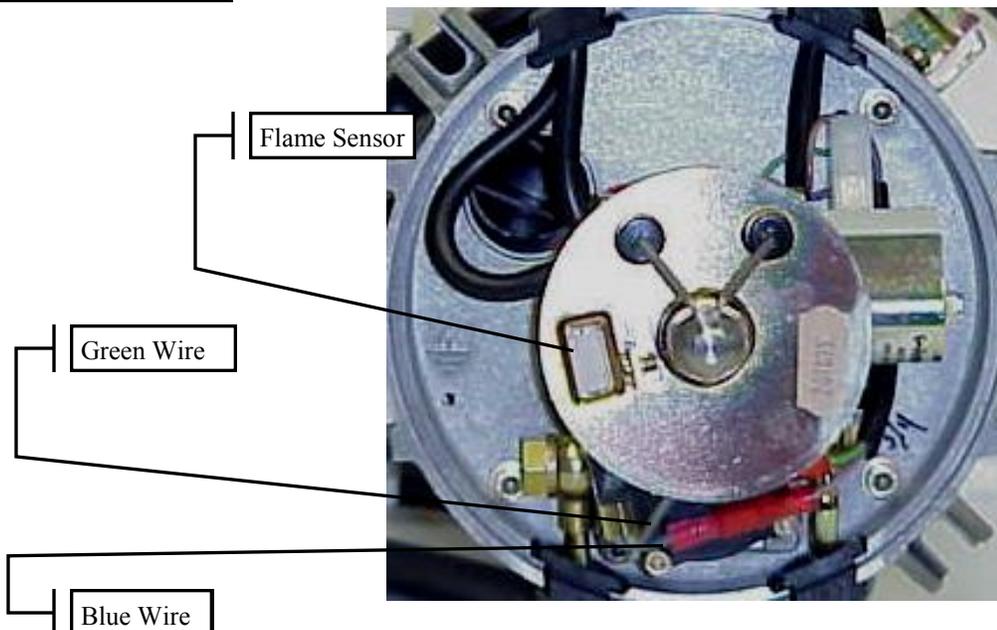
**NOTE:** In order to perform the following procedures it is necessary to detach and reattach the diesel-burner head. Be sure to review the detaching/attaching instructions in Section 8.

### Component Test: Ohms

**NOTE:** Be sure to calibrate your ohmmeter prior to checking the flame sensor to proper resistance values.

1. In order to perform the following procedures it is necessary to detach the diesel-burner. Be sure to review the detaching/attaching instructions in section 8.
2. Once the diesel burner has been removed, Locate and detach the flame sensor's green and blue wires from the C-plug harness wires.

**Figure 45**



3. Connect the flame sensor's green and blue wires to an ohmmeter.
4. Check resistance by placing a shop rag over the flame sensor's glass surface, to simulate a no flame condition, and then remove the rag and expose to a light source, to simulate a flame condition.
5. If the flame sensor is operating properly, the ohmmeter should register high resistance, over 100K  $\Omega$  when the glass surface is covered, and less than 200  $\Omega$  when exposed to a light source.
6. If these resistance numbers cannot be obtained, verify the flame sensor's glass surface is clean. If the flame sensor is clean and the resistance numbers cannot be obtained, the flame sensor must be replaced.

**NOTE:** When connecting the flame sensor wires to the Webasto Harness, be sure the Green harness wire goes to the green flame sensor wire, and the violet harness wire goes to the blue flame sensor wire.

### Flame Sensor Maintenance:

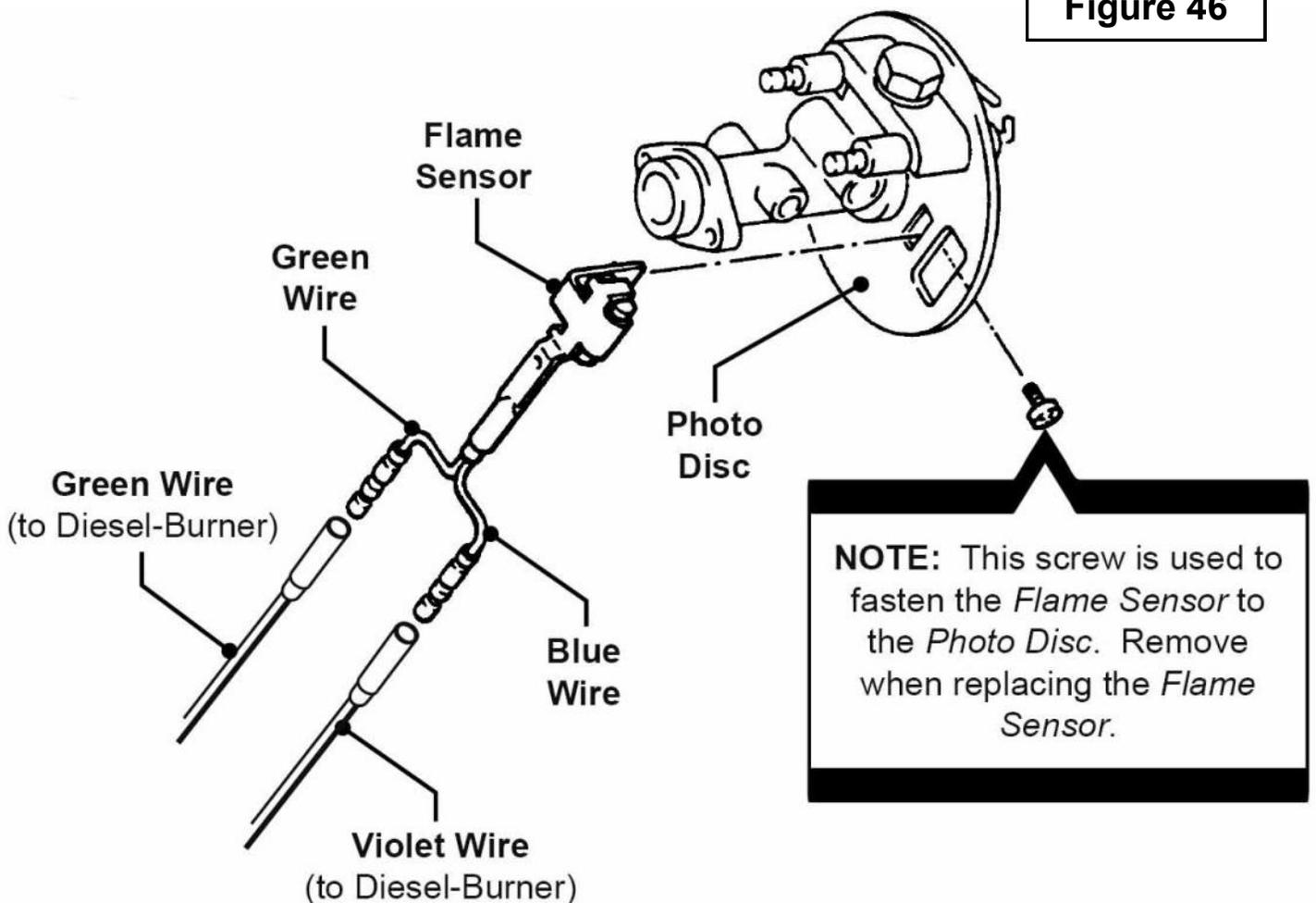
1. For light dirt, dust, and/or carbon deposits, simply wipe off the flame sensor with a soft cloth.
2. Should heavy carbon deposits be present, completely remove the flame sensor from the photo disc and clean with brake cleaner.

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### Flame Sensor Replacement Procedure:

1. In order to perform the following procedures it is necessary to detach diesel-burner head. Be sure to review the detaching/attaching instructions in section 8.
2. Remove the screw that fastens the flame sensor to the photo disc and detach the sensor's green and blue wires from the C-plug harness' green and violet wires, and remove flame sensor.
3. Slide the tab of the new flame sensor into the provided slot in the photo disc and secure in place with the screw. Connect the flame sensor's green wire to the green C-plug harness wire and the blue wire to the C-plug harness' violet wire.
4. Follow the directions for reattaching the diesel burner, in section 8 of this manual.

**Figure 46**



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### Ignition Electrodes

The diesel-burner's ignition coil produces a high voltage ignition spark across the ignition electrodes, which ignites the incoming air/fuel mixture.

#### Cleaning and Maintenance:

1. Polish away any carbon deposits that may have baked onto the metal tips of the ignition electrodes with a course sponge.
2. If the ignition electrode's electrical insulator is cracked or damaged, the ignition electrode must be replaced.

**NOTE:** The electrode adjustment gauge is used to set the gap between the ignition electrodes. The electrode adjustment gauge is located on the outside surface of the diesel-burner head on the left hand side.

#### Ignition Electrode Adjustment Procedure:

1. Follow the directions for detaching/reattaching the diesel burner in section 9 of this manual.
2. Using a 10mm socket, slightly loosen the retaining clamp bolt.
3. Place the electrode adjustment gauge on the nozzle manifold hex and insert the metal tips of the ignition electrodes into the appropriate notches of the electrode adjustment gauge.

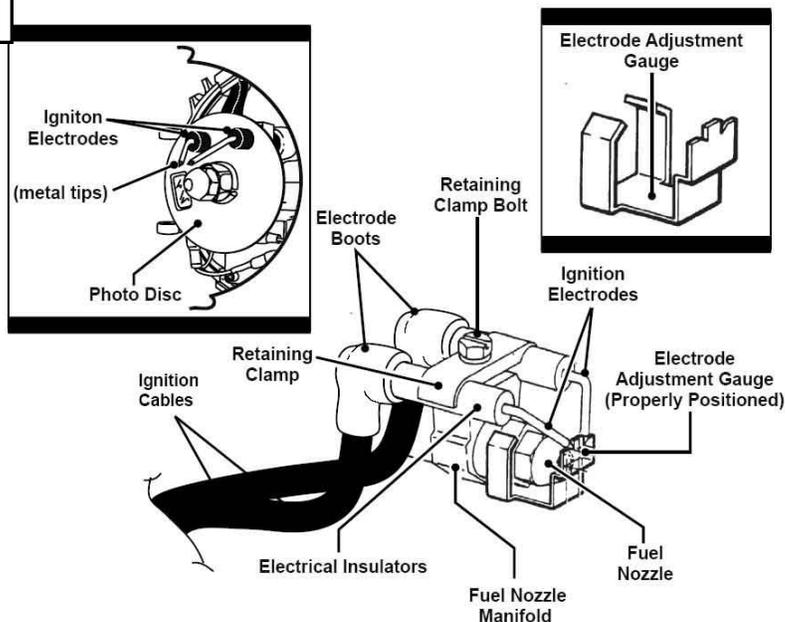
**NOTE:** Be sure not to over-tighten the retaining clamp bolt when readjusting the ignition electrodes. Over-tightening the retaining clamp bolt will bend the retaining clamp and prevent the photo disc from floating freely. Not allowing the photo disc to float freely will cause poor combustion and result in a smoky exhaust. A bent retaining clamp can be re-straightened with a punch and hammer. Lay the clamp's beveled side down on a solid flat surface and align the thick end of the punch at dead center. Tap the punch lightly until the retaining clamp returns to proper form.

4. Using a 10 mm socket, tighten the retaining clamp bolt.
5. Remove the electrode adjustment gauge and reattach to the diesel-burner head.

#### Replacement Procedure:

1. Using a 10mm socket, loosen and remove the retaining clamp bolt, and the retaining clamp.
2. Slide the electrode out of the photo disc.
3. To remove the electrode, hold onto the orange electrode boot, and pull firmly on the electrode.
4. Once the electrode has been removed inspect inside the orange electrode boot for the retaining clip, which holds the electrode in place. If it is missing, replace the electrode boot.

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### Ignition Electrodes

#### Replacement Procedure: (continued)

5. Insert the new electrode into the orange electrode boot, and snap into place. Pull firmly on the electrode to make sure the retaining clip has secured the electrode in place.
6. Slide the electrode into the photo disc.
7. Install retaining clamp and retaining clamp bolt and finger tighten.
8. Follow steps 2 - 5 to properly adjust the electrodes.

2. Remove both the ignition cables from the ignition electrodes, or connect a jumper wire (with alligator clips) across the metal tips of the electrodes.

**⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

Failure to connect a jumper wire across the ignition electrodes, or to remove the ignition cables from the ignition electrodes will result in a HIGH VOLTAGE shock and/or a fire. If the ignition cables are removed, be sure to place a piece of electrical tape on the end of each cable.

3. Remove the B-plug from the diesel-burner head's controller.
4. Turn the diesel switch ON and then plug the B-plug back into the diesel-burner controller to activate the diesel-burner. After approx. 20 seconds the fuel solenoid will "click" and a fine mist of fuel should appear from the fuel nozzle in a cone shaped spray pattern.

### Fuel Nozzle:

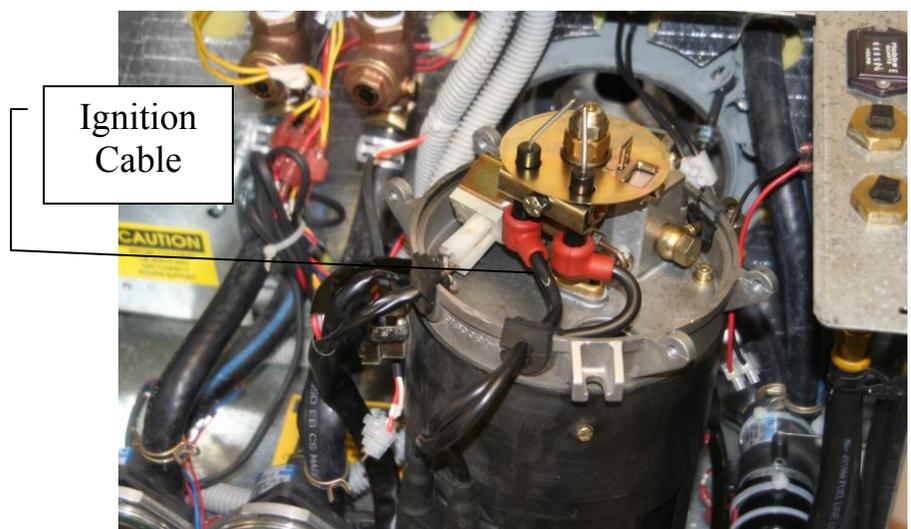
The fuel nozzle is simply a fuel atomizer. It reduces the diesel fuel into a fine spray which is mixed with incoming combustion air and is ignited within the combustion chamber.

**NOTE:** In order to perform the following procedures it is necessary to detach and reattach the diesel-burner head. Be sure to review section 9 for detaching and reattaching instructions.

#### Fuel Nozzle Component Test:

1. Follow the directions for detaching the diesel burner, in section 8, of this manual.

**Figure 48**



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### Fuel Nozzle:

6. Remove the B-plug from the diesel-burner controller.
7. If the cone shaped spray pattern did not appear, follow the troubleshooting guides for the following components and verify they are operating properly:
  - A. Fuel Solenoid
  - B. Fuel pump
  - C. D.C. High Limit thermostats
8. If the components listed above are operating properly, and there is still no fuel coming out of the nozzle, replace the fuel nozzle.

### Fuel Nozzle Cleaning and Maintenance:

The fuel nozzle is a precision calibrated part and **cannot** be cleaned or serviced. A replacement of the fuel nozzle is recommended annually.

### Fuel Nozzle Replacement Procedure:

1. Use a 3/4 in. wrench to hold the fuel nozzle stand hex while loosening the fuel nozzle with a 5/8 in. wrench and remove.

**NOTE:** Be sure to use care when handling the new fuel nozzle. Oils and/or small dust or dirt particles from your hands may plug the nozzle's small orifice. A partially plugged orifice will restrict fuel flow, which will affect the combustion process of the diesel-burner.

2. When replacing the fuel nozzle, be sure to tighten the nozzle, loosen it a 1/4 turn, and then firmly re-tighten. This will establish a seated fit and avoid any leaks.

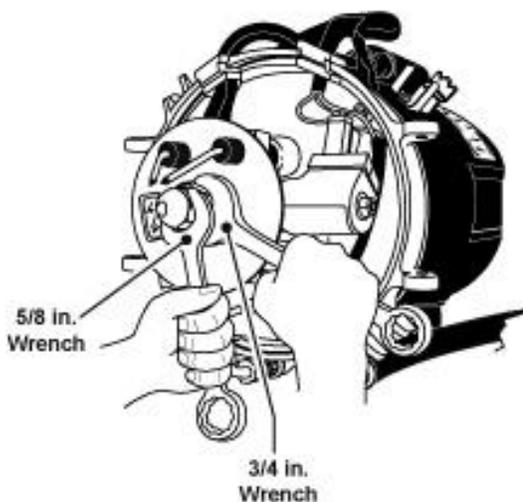
**NOTE:** An adjustment of the ignition electrodes may be necessary after replacing the fuel nozzle. Follow the ignition electrode adjustment procedure found in the ignition electrode section of this manual.

3. After replacing the fuel nozzle, reattach the diesel-burner head.

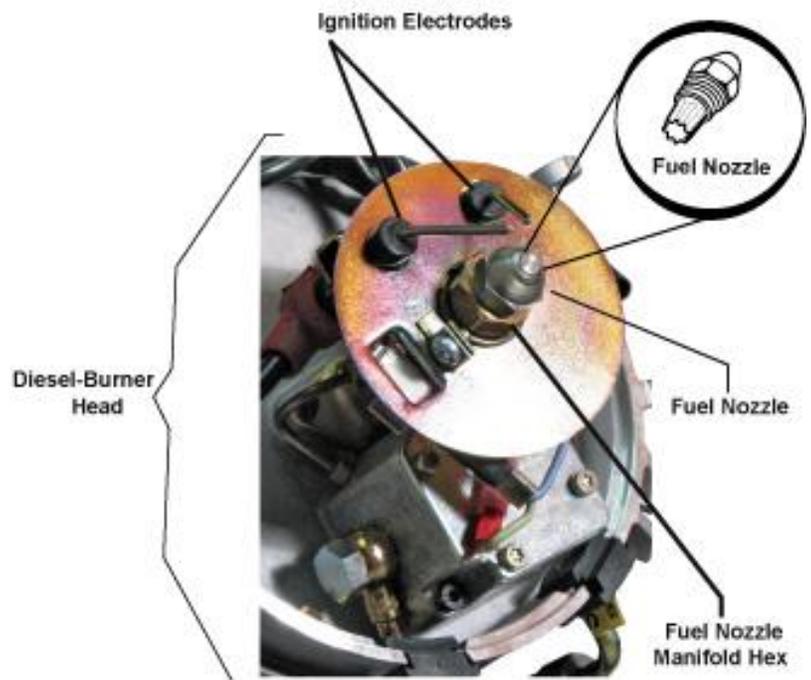
**⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

**Be sure to reattach the diesel-burner head prior to switching the heater ON. Failure to do so may result in ignition of the diesel-burner and serious bodily injury.**

4. Turn **ON** the diesel switch for 5 seconds, then turn it **OFF**. This will activate the diesel-burner's prime-cycle and flush the fuel system of any potential contaminants. Perform this procedure twice.
5. Test for normal operation.



**Figure 49**



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### Fuel Solenoid:

The fuel solenoid allows the flow of diesel fuel to the diesel-burner's fuel nozzle.

**NOTE:** If a long after-smoking condition exists during the diesel-burner's purge cycle, the fuel solenoid valve kit may need to be replaced.

**NOTE:** In order to perform the following procedures it is necessary to detach and reattach the diesel-burner head. Be sure to review the detaching/attaching instructions in section 8.

### Fuel Solenoid Component Test:

**NOTE:** If the fuel solenoid is not working troubleshoot the diesel burner's hi-limit thermostat. If it is tripped it will not allow the fuel solenoid to operate.

1. Locate and detach the C-plug harness' violet (+) and Brown (-) wires from the fuel solenoid.
2. Connect the (-) lead of a 12 volt DC power supply to the fuel solenoid's (-) electrical terminal.
3. Intermittently apply the (+) lead of the power supply to the fuel solenoid's (+) electrical terminal.
4. Listen for the fuel solenoid to click (i.e. open and close).
5. If the fuel solenoid does not click, it must be replaced.

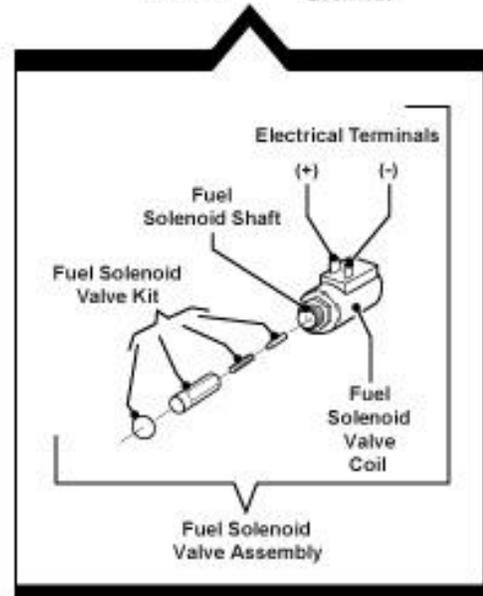
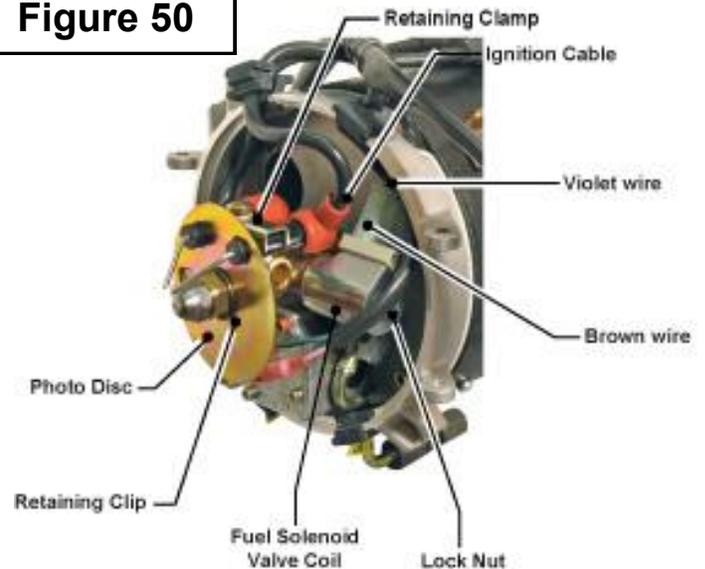
### Fuel Solenoid Replacement Procedure:

1. Disconnect the C-plug harness' violet (+) and brown (-) wires from the fuel solenoid.
2. Using an 8mm wrench, remove the lock nut and flat washer from the end of the fuel solenoid shaft and then pull the fuel solenoid away from the nozzle

stand approximately 1/2". Remove the fuel solenoid shaft from the nozzle manifold using a 16mm wrench.. Discard the shaft and valve kit, as replacements are provided with the new fuel solenoid assembly.

3. Insert the contents of the new fuel solenoid valve kit into the new fuel solenoid shaft. Slide the new fuel solenoid onto the fuel solenoid shaft. Thread the new fuel solenoid shaft with fuel solenoid to the fuel nozzle manifold and tighten. Secure the fuel solenoid in place with the new flat washer and lock nut.
4. Connect the C-plug harness' violet (+) and brown (-) wires to the fuel solenoid's (+) and (-) electrical terminals.

**Figure 50**



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### Fuel Pump:

The fuel pump draws diesel fuel from the vehicle's fuel tank and creates a preset pressure of 145 PSI, which is required for proper fuel atomization. Reference the illustration below for a basic overview and understanding of how the fuel pump functions.

### Fuel Pump Testing Procedure:

**⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

**Do not remove the diesel burner at this time. Failure to do so may result in serious bodily injury.**

1. Clamp off and remove the fuel return and fuel supply lines coming into the Hydro-Hot unit.
2. Attach a short piece of fuel line to both the fuel return and fuel supply ports.
3. Submerge the opposite end of the temporary fuel supply line in a container of diesel fuel.
4. Place the opposite end of the temporary fuel return line in an empty container.
5. Turn the diesel switch **ON** to activate the diesel burner, and wait ten seconds.
6. If fuel does not flow out of the return line into the empty container, the fuel pump must be replaced.

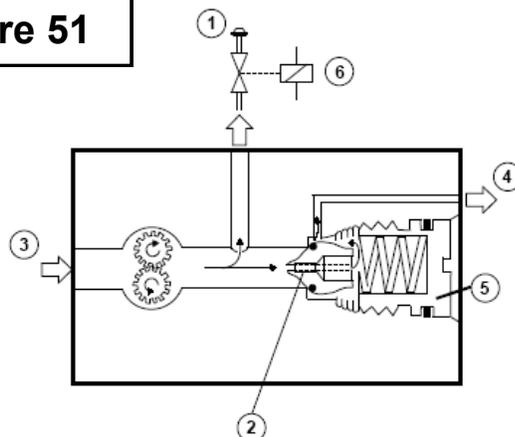
**NOTE:** Prior to replacing the fuel pump, be sure to inspect the screen filter in the supply inlet of the fuel pump for dirt particles. Clean and/or replace if necessary. A plugged screen filter will restrict fuel from entering the fuel pump.

7. If fuel does flow through the fuel pump when ran off an external source inspect the following in the motor home:
  - A. Check the motor home fuel tank for fuel. If the fuel level is below 1/4 the Hydro-Hot diesel burner will not operate.
  - B. Inspect the supply fuel line for kinks which would prohibit fuel flow.
  - C. Inspect the supply fuel line for cuts, which would cause the diesel burner to suck air.
  - D. Inspect the fuel filter, to make sure all fittings are tight, including hose clamps. Also, make sure the fuel filter is tight.
  - E. Inspect the Hydro-Hot for loose or cracked fittings.
  - F. Inspect the supply fuel system for loose hose clamps throughout
  - G. Inspect the fuel pick-up tube in the tank., for loose connection and pin holes in the pick-up tube

### Fuel Pump Cleaning and Maintenance:

1. Check all fuel connections for tightness.
2. Check the screen filter located in the fuel supply inlet of the fuel pump for dirt particles. Clean and/or replace if necessary.
3. To adjust the fuel pressure refer to Appendix B: Fuel pressure check and adjustment..

**Figure 51**



### FUEL PUMP OVERVIEW

1. Fuel Nozzle
2. Air Relief Bore
3. Fuel Supply Line
4. Fuel Return Line
5. Fuel Pressure Regulator
6. Fuel Solenoid

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### Fuel Pump Replacement Procedure:

**NOTE:** To perform the following procedure it will be necessary to remove the diesel burner. Follow the section on detaching and reattaching the diesel burner, section 8 of this manual.

1. Locate and disconnect the C-Plug harness wires that connect to the flame sensor and the fuel solenoid. Also, disconnect the ignition cables from the ignition electrodes.
2. Remove the retaining clip that secures the photo disc in place. Gently lift the photo disc so that it releases from the nozzle stand and the ignition electrodes.
3. Loosen the supply and return banjo bolts to remove the fuel supply and return pipes from the fuel pump. Also, disconnect the high pressure fuel pipe from both the fuel pump and the nozzle stand. Discard the high pressure fuel pipe, gasket rings, and banjo bolts, as replacements are provided in the new fuel pump kit.
4. Remove the four nozzle stand plate screws that secure the nozzle stand plate in place. Remove the nozzle stand plate by pulling on the nozzle stand until the plate releases from the cast-aluminum blower casing.
5. Remove the two pump mounting screws that secure the fuel pump in place. Turn the nozzle stand plate over and remove the snap ring from the fuel pump shaft, using snap ring pliers. Remove the nylon drive gear and then the fuel pump.
6. Attach the new fuel pump to the nozzle stand plate with the two pump mounting screws. Turn the nozzle stand plate over to install the nylon drive gear on the fuel pump's shaft and secure in place with the snap ring. Dab the teeth of the nylon drive gear with white lithium grease (Isoplex LDS-18 is recommended.)

**NOTE:** Do not adjust the fuel pressure regulator of the new fuel pump, as it has been factory preset.

### **CAUTION:**

Inspect the nylon drive gear's cavity inside the cast aluminum blower casting for fuel stains. If fuel stains are present, a replacement of the bearings and/or the entire blower casing may be necessary. Leaking fuel could cause bearing seizure, resulting in potential damage to the internal bore/bearing of the blower casing.

7. Fit the nozzle stand plate inside the cast-aluminum blower casing and secure in place with the four nozzle stand plate screws. Install the grommets on the fuel return and supply banjo pipes and secure the pipes to the fuel pump with the new banjo bolts and gasket rings.

**NOTE:** Failure to use the new gasket rings or the correct order placement could result in a fuel leak.

8. Reconnect the C-plug harness' violet (+) and brown (-) wires to the fuel solenoid's (+) and (-) electrical terminals.
9. Insert both the ignition cables into the rubber grommet and slide into the appropriate notch on the blower casing.
10. Reconnect the ignition cables to the ignition electrodes.
11. Reinstall the photo disc and secure it in place with the retaining clip.
12. Reconnect the flame sensor's green wire to the green C-plug harness and the blue wire to the C-plug harness' violet wire. Install rubber grommet around the harness wires, and set into place.

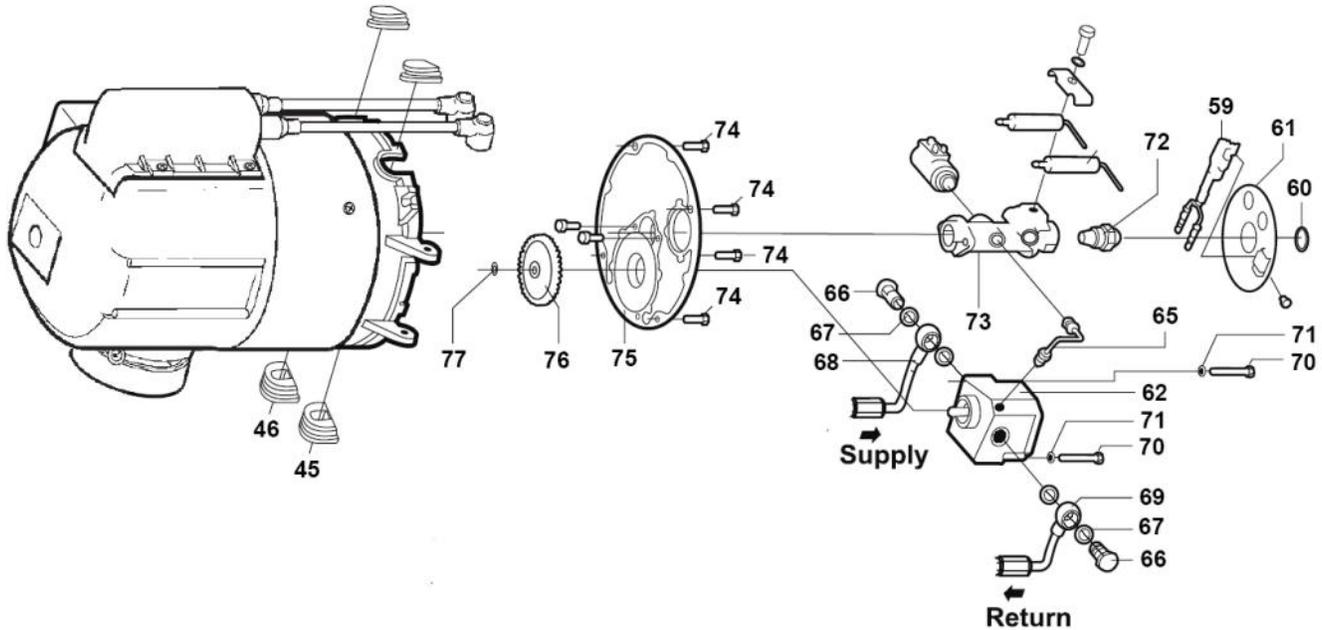
**NOTE:** Check the ignition electrodes for proper adjustment prior to reattaching the diesel burner.

13. Follow the directions for reattaching the diesel burner in section 8 of this manual.

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### Fuel Pump: (continued)

**Figure 52**



- |                                   |                                 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 45 Grommet, Blower Casting, Left  | 69 Tube, Fuel, Banjo, Return    |
| 46 Grommet, Blower Casting, Right | 70 Screw, Mounting, Fuel Pump   |
| 59 Sensor, Flame                  | 71 Washer, Lock, Fuel Pump      |
| 60 Clip, Retaining, Photo Disc    | 72 Nozzle, Fuel, 0.35 GPH       |
| 61 Disc, Photo                    | 73 Manifold, Fuel Nozzle, Brass |
| 62 Pump, Fuel                     | 74 Screw, Manifold Plate        |
| 65 Tube, Fuel, High Pressure      | 75 Plate, Manifold              |
| 66 Bolt, Banjo                    | 76 Gear, Fuel Pump, Nylon       |
| 67 Gasket, Ring, Copper           | 77 Ring, Snap                   |
| 68 Tube, Fuel, Banjo, Supply      |                                 |

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### Bearings:

The bearings support the combustion air blower's shaft and allows the blower to turn smoothly.

**NOTE:** In order to perform the following procedures it is necessary to detach and reattach the diesel-burner head. Be sure to review section 8 for detaching and reattaching the diesel burner instructions

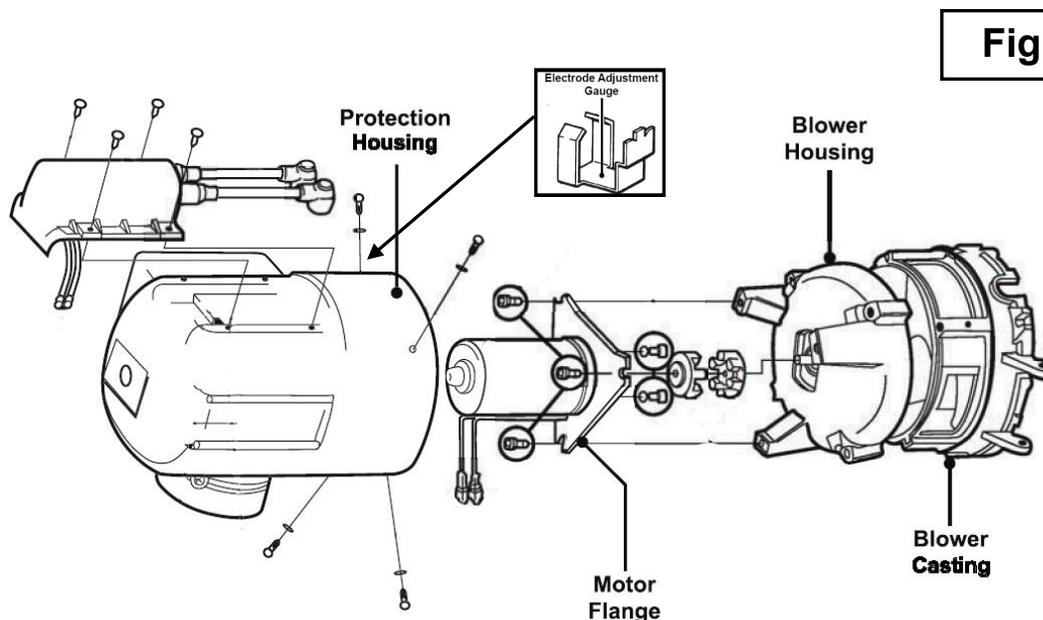
### Bearing Test:

1. In order to perform the following procedure it is necessary to detach and reattach the diesel-burner head. Be sure to review the detaching and reattaching section for detaching and reattaching instructions.
2. Locate and disconnect the C-plug harness wires that connect to the flame sensor and fuel solenoid. Also, disconnect the ignition cables from the ignition electrodes.
3. Remove the four nozzle stand plate screws that secure the nozzle stand plate in place. Remove the nozzle stand plate by pulling on the nozzle stand until the plate releases from the cast-aluminum blower casing.
4. Remove the four ignition coil screws that secure the ignition coil to the protection cap. Lift the ignition coil and disconnect its black (+) and brown (-) wires from the C-plug harness wires, prior to removing. Remove the protection cap from the diesel-burner so that the motor and clutch halves are exposed.

5. Remove the three hex head screws that secure the motor and motor flange to the blower housing. Remove the motor and flange assembly along with the clutch halves. Disconnect the motor's black (+) and brown (-) wires from the C-plug harness' wires.
6. Remove the four blower housing screws that secure the blower housing to the blower casing. Remove the blower housing so that the combustion air blower is exposed.
7. Spin the combustion air blower by hand. Placing one of the clutch halves to the end of the shaft, assists with the spinning of the bearings.
8. If the combustion air blower rotates smoothly without any friction or noise, the bearings are in proper working condition. If the combustion air blower does not rotate smoothly and/or produces noise, the bearings are worn and must be replaced.

### Replacement:

1. In order to perform the following procedure it is necessary to detach and reattach the diesel-burner head. Be sure to review the detaching and reattaching section for detaching and reattaching instructions.
2. Locate and disconnect the C-plug harness wires that connect to the flame sensor and fuel solenoid. Also, disconnect the ignition cables from the ignition electrodes.



**Figure 53**

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- Remove the four nozzle stand plate screws that secure the nozzle stand plate in place. Remove the nozzle stand plate by pulling on the nozzle stand until the plate releases from the cast-aluminum blower casing.

**NOTE:** It is recommended to mark the internal components of the diesel burner prior to disassembling of the burner. Make a mark between the motor flange and the blower housing, and also between the blower housing and the blower casing. If the burner is assembled improperly the protection cap will not go on.

- Remove the four ignition coil screws that secure the ignition coil to the protection cap. Lift the ignition coil and disconnect its black (+) and brown (-) wires from the C-plug harness wires, prior to removing. Remove the protection cap from the diesel-burner so that the motor and clutch halves are exposed.
- Remove the three hex head screws that secure the motor and motor flange to the blower housing. Remove the motor and flange assembly along with the clutch halves. Disconnect the motor's black (+) and brown (-) wires from the C-plug harness' wires.
- Remove the four blower housing screws that secure the blower housing to the blower casing. Remove the blower housing so that the combustion air blower is exposed.
- Hold side-B of the blower casing and loosen the retaining nut located in side-A of the blower casing. Remove the retaining nut, steel drive gear and thick flat washer from the combustion air blower's shaft. Lightly tap the threaded end of the shaft so that the combustion air blower can be easily removed from the blower casing.

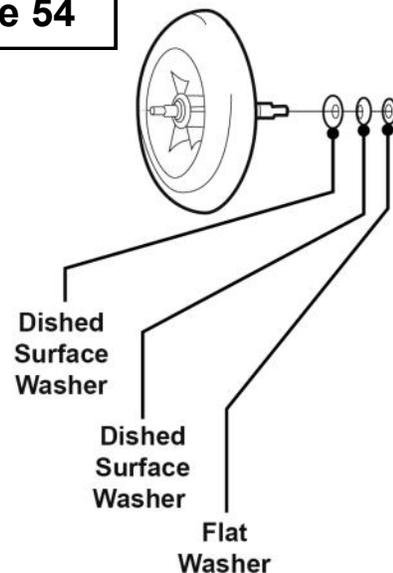
**NOTE:** Be sure to observe the placement of the three washers of the bearing kit. To ensure proper tension, the same order and direction of the dished surfaces of the washers must be followed when reassembling.

- With a pair of snap-ring pliers, remove the snap rings from both side-A and side-B of the blower casing. Push all the contents of the bearing kit out of the blower casing's bore/bearing cavity. Discard the retaining nut, steel drive gear, snap rings, bearings, spacer tube, and washers, as replacements are provided in the new bearing kit.

**NOTE:** Be sure to inspect the blower casing's bore/bearing cavity for signs of damage due to potentially seized bearings. If damage is present, the blower casing must be replaced.

- Install a new snap ring into side-A of the blower casing. Once the snap ring is in place, insert the remaining contents of the new bearing kit into side-B of the blower casing, starting with the wave washer. Secure the bearing kit assembly in place with the remaining snap ring.
- Inspect the combustion air blower for warping and/or damage. If warping or damage is visible, the combustion air blower must be replaced.
- Reference Figure 54 for exact placement of the three washers that slide over the threaded end of the combustion air blower's shaft prior to installation. Failure to follow the correct order and direction of the dished surfaces on the washers will result in a restricted rotation of the combustion air blower.
- Slide the combustion air blower's shaft (with the three washers) up through the bearing kit assembly until the threaded portion appears on side-A of the blower casing. Place the new thick flat washer and steel drive gear on the threaded end of the combustion air blower's shaft. Thread the new retaining nut on the combustion air blower's shaft until it is finger tight (**DO NOT TIGHTEN.**)

**Figure 54**



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12. Place a feeler gauge between the combustion air blower and the flat surface of the blower casing. Slowly tighten (or loosen) the retaining nut, holding the combustion air blower, until a **.006±.002 inch** gap is achieved. Remove feeler gauge. Reference Figure 55a.
13. Spin the combustion air blower to ensure a friction free rotation.

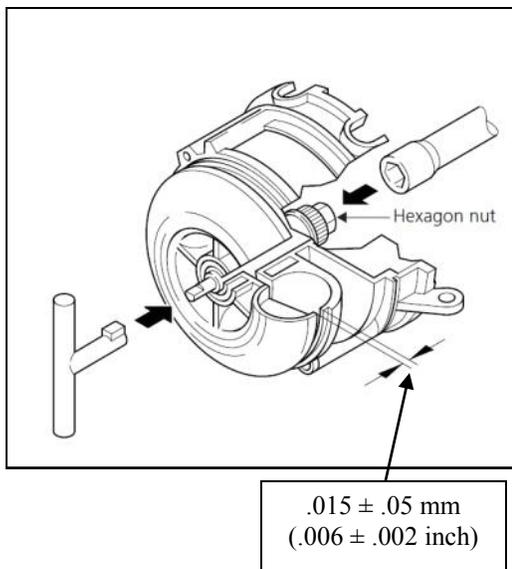
**NOTE:** If the combustion air blower is rubbing, loosen the retaining nut slightly and lightly tap on the combustion air blower's shaft (opposite side) then readjust the gap.

14. Reattach the blower housing to the blower casing using the four blower housing screws. Reinstall the clutch half on both the motor's shaft and the combustion air blower's shaft. Attach the motor and flange assembly, with the recessed edge of the motor flange in-line with the wiring access slot of the blower casing, to the blower housing with the three hex head screws. Reconnect the black (+) and brown (-) wires of the motor to the C-plug harness' black (+) and brown (-) wires. Feed the C-plug harness' yellow and brown wires back through the wiring access hole in the protection cap.

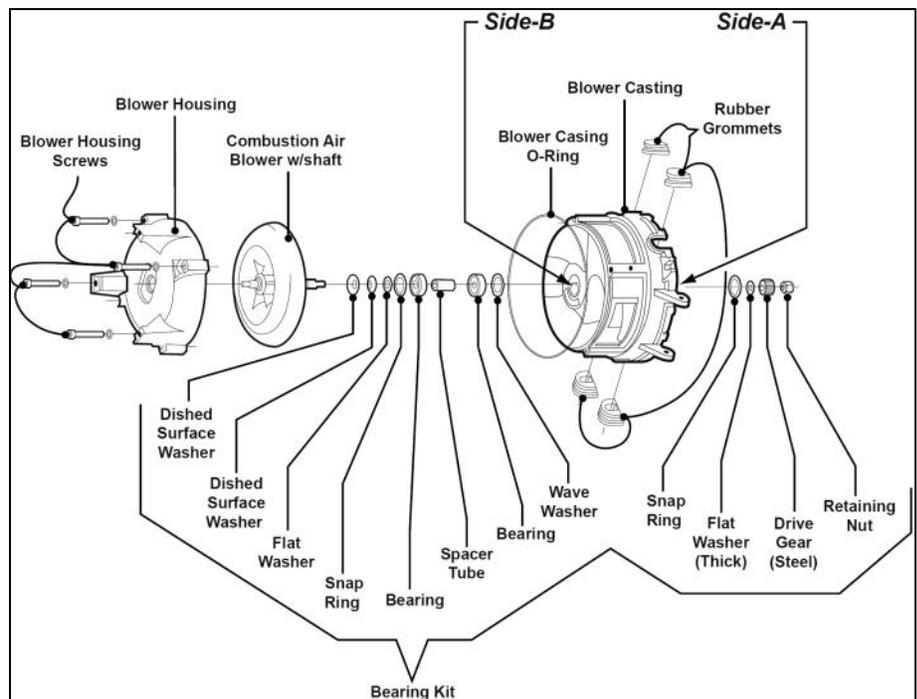
**NOTE:** Inspect the clutch halves' for cracks and also ensure that the flat portion in each shaft hole is free of wear and tear. Too much play on the shaft produces a loud clacking noise. If any cracks or wear are detected, the clutch half must be replaced.

15. Reinstall the protection cap. Reconnect the black (+) and brown (-) wires of the ignition coil to the C-plug harness' yellow (+) and brown (-) wires. Reinstall the ignition coil and secure to the protection cap with the four ignition coil screws. Reconnect the ignition cables to the ignition electrodes.
16. Fit the nozzle stand plate inside the cast aluminum blower casing and secure in place with the four nozzle stand plate screws. Reattach the fuel supply and return lines to the diesel-burner head.
17. Reconnect the blue (+) and brown (-) wires to the fuel solenoid's (+) and (-) electrical terminals. Also, reconnect the flame sensor's green wire to the green C-plug harness wire and the blue wire to the C-plug harness' violet wire.
18. Follow the instructions for reattaching the diesel burner, in the detaching/reattaching section in Section 8 of this manual

**Figure 55a**



**Figure 55b**



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### Ignition Coil:

The ignition coil produces a high voltage ignition spark (approx. 8000 volts), which is released across the metal tips of the ignition electrodes during the initial diesel-burner start-up.

Use extreme care when testing the ignition coil, as a High Voltage Shock may result.

**NOTE:** In order to perform the following procedures it is necessary to detach and reattach the diesel-burner head. Be sure to review the section for detaching and reattaching the diesel burner..

### Component Test:

1. Remove the four ignition coil screws that secure the ignition coil in place.
2. Disconnect the ignition coil's black (+) and brown (-) wires from the C-plug harness' yellow (+) and brown (-) wires.

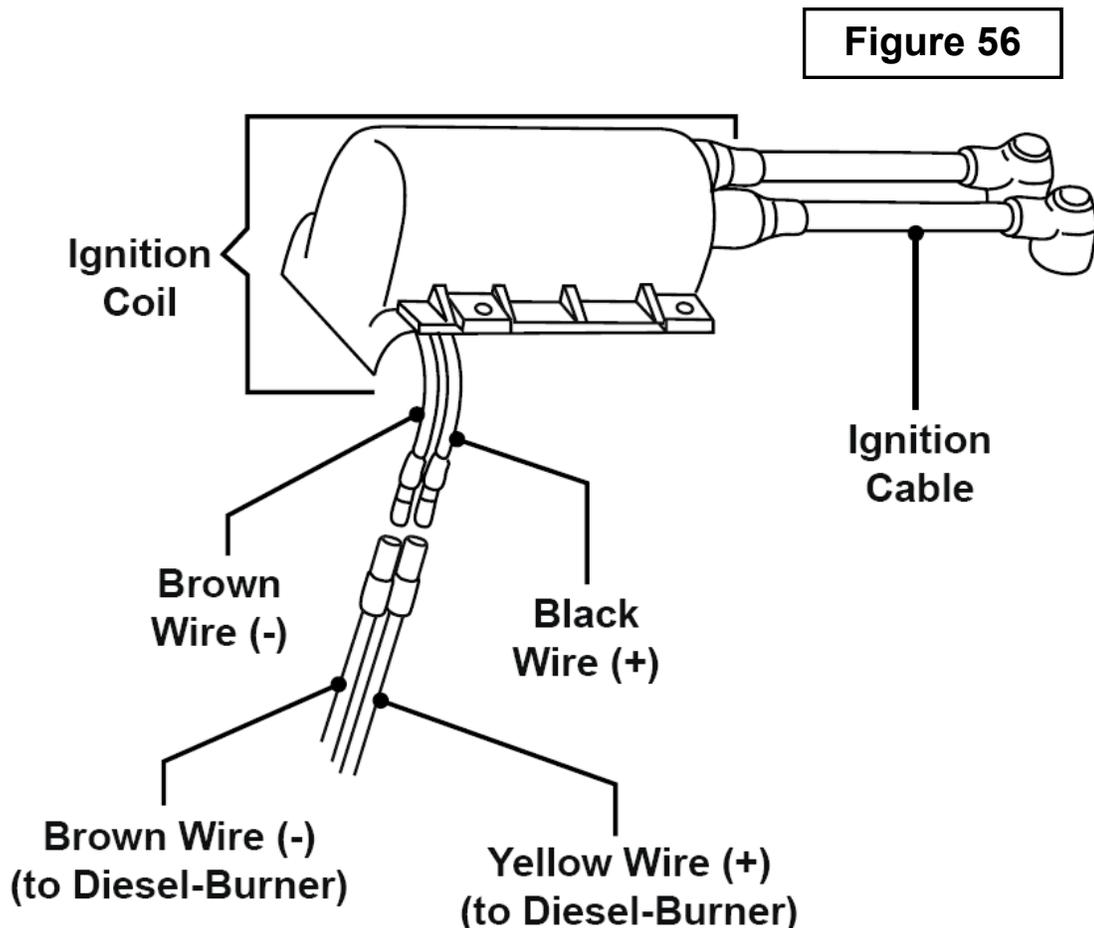
3. Connect the ignition coil wires directly to a 12 volt DC power supply (i.e. black (+) wire to (+) lead and brown (-) wire to (-) lead).
4. Turn the power supply **ON** and watch for a spark to appear across the metal tips of the ignition electrodes. If a spark does not appear, the ignition coil must be replaced.

**NOTE:** Some ignition coils are intermittent and will need to be tested numerously. If the Ignition Coils tests good and it still will not operate it is possible the Electronic Controller is defective.

### **CAUTION:**

#### Before replacing the ignition coil:

1. Verify the ignition electrodes are not cracked or broken.
2. Verify that the ignition electrodes are adjusted properly.
3. Ensure the electrode boots are securely holding the electrodes in place.
4. Ensure the electrode boots are not broken inside the ignition coil wires.



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### Ignition Coil:

**NOTE:** In order to perform the following procedures it is necessary to detach and reattach the diesel-burner head. Be sure to review the section for detaching and reattaching the diesel burner..

#### Replacement Procedure:

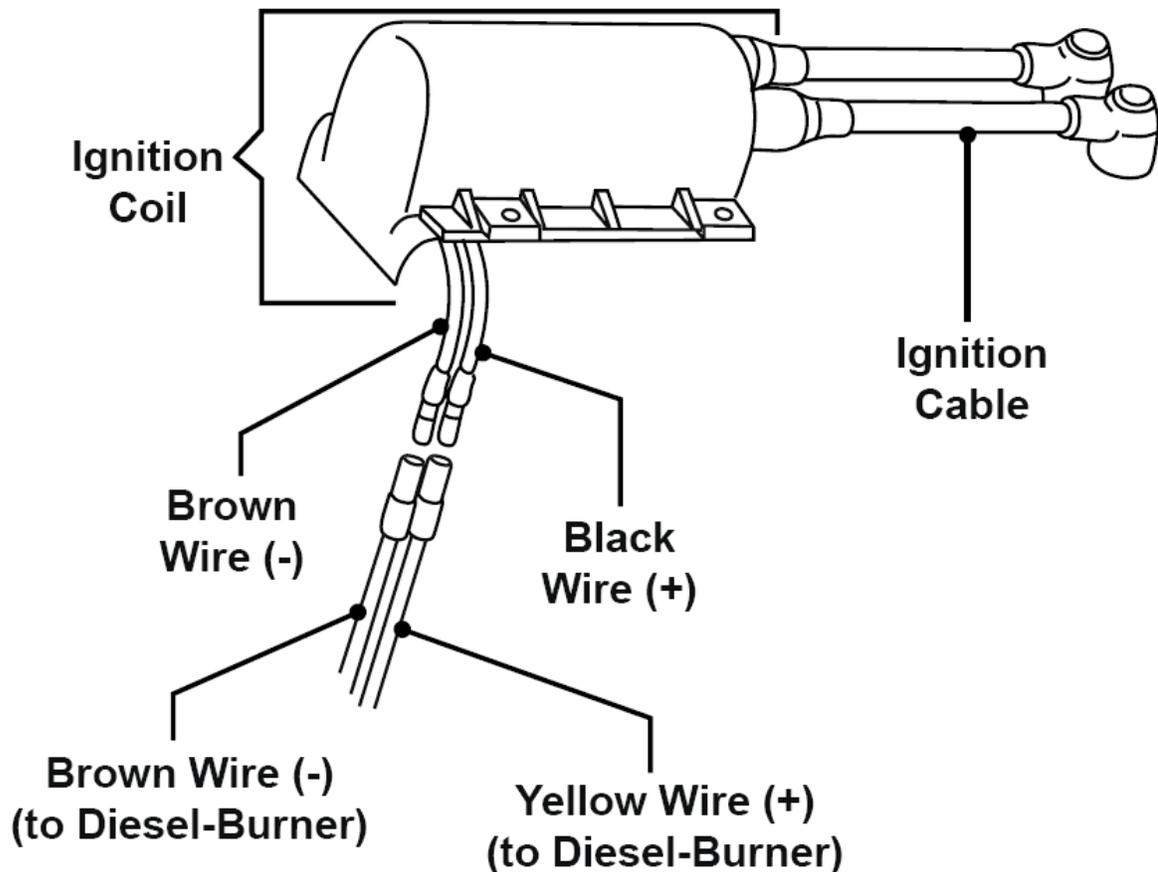
1. Disconnect the ignition cables from the ignition electrodes. Remove the four ignition coil screws that secure the ignition coil to the protection cap. Lift the ignition coil and disconnect its wires from the C-plug harness wires, prior to removing.

2. Connect the new ignition coil's black (+) and brown (-) wires to the C-plug harness' yellow (+) and brown (-) wires. Attach the ignition coil to the protection cap with the four ignition coil screws, then reconnect the ignition cables to the ignition electrodes.

**NOTE:** If the new ignition coil does not function, check wire connections and ensure they are properly connected.

3. Follow the instructions for reattaching the diesel burner and test for proper operation.

**Figure 57**



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### Diesel-Burner Controller:

NOTE: Before troubleshooting the Diesel Burner Controller, verify that the Hydro-Hot's Electronic Controller has voltage at both the C1(orange) & C7(white) wires on the JP4 Plug. Both the C1 & C7 wires will only have power when both the Diesel Burner Status Light and the Heating Status Light are illuminated.

The diesel-burner controller operates all the components of the diesel-burner head and safely shuts the heater **OFF** in the event of an overheat, flameout, and low voltage condition. It also receives diesel-burner operation status signals from the flame sensor, VDC control thermostat, and VDC high-limit thermostat.

### Component Test:

The following conditions must exist prior to performing the diesel-burner controller circuit tests on the following page. If one of the conditions below does not exist, please contact our technical support department at 1-800-685-4298 for additional assistance.

#### *Condition #1*

A battery voltage level between 11.5 to 14.0 volts DC must be present at the diesel-burner controller during all testing. It may be necessary to perform a voltage check to ensure that this condition exists. To perform the voltage check, locate the diesel-burner controller's B-plug, and insert the probes of a DC voltmeter into the B-4 (+) and B-2 (-) locations.

#### *Condition #2*

A voltage level of between 11.5 to 14.0 volts must be present at the diesel **ON/OFF** switch circuit of the diesel-burner controller during all testing. It may be necessary to perform a voltage check to ensure that this condition exists. To perform the voltage check, locate the diesel-burner controller's B-plug, and insert the probes of a DC voltmeter into the B-1 (+) and B-2 (-) locations. Turn the diesel switch **ON** and observe the voltage level.

### Ground Circuit Test:

Locate the diesel-burner controller's B-plug and C-plug. Insert the probes of a DC voltmeter into the B-4 (+) and C-5 (-) locations and turn the diesel switch **ON**. If a voltage reading does not register on the voltmeter, the diesel-burner controller must be replaced. If voltage is present, proceed to the next circuit test.

### VDC/VAC Control Thermostat Circuit Test:

Locate the diesel-burner controller's B-plug and C-plug. Insert the probes of a DC voltmeter into the C-1 (+) and B-2 (-) locations and turn the diesel switch **ON**. If a voltage reading does not register on the voltmeter, the diesel-burner controller must be replaced. If voltage is present, proceed to the next circuit test.

### VDC High-Limit Thermostat Circuit Test:

Locate the diesel-burner controller's B-plug and C-plug. Insert the probes of a DC voltmeter into the C-4 (+) and B-2 (-) locations and turn the diesel switch **ON**. If a voltage reading does not register on the voltmeter, the diesel-burner controller must be replaced. If voltage is present, proceed to the next circuit test.

### Motor Circuit Test:

Locate the diesel-burner controller's B-plug and C-plug. Use a jumper wire to make a connection from the C-1 location to the C-7 location. Turn the diesel switch **ON** and insert the probes of a DC voltmeter into the C-2 (+) and C-5 (-) locations. If no voltage reading registers on the voltmeter, the diesel-burner controller must be replaced. If voltage is present, proceed to the next circuit test.

Be sure to remove the jumper wire that was used to make the connection from the C-1 location to the C-7 location. A failure to do so will result in an overheating condition during normal operation.

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### Ignition Coil Circuit Test:

Turn the diesel switch **OFF** and locate the diesel-burner controller's C-plug. Also, locate the VDC high-limit thermostat and disconnect its 2-way male plug from the (white plastic) 6-way female connector. Insert the probes of a DC voltmeter into the C-8 (+) and C-5 (-) locations and turn the diesel switch **ON**. If a voltage reading does not register on the voltmeter 18-25 seconds after the initial start-up the diesel-burner controller must be replaced.

**NOTE:** Be sure to reconnect the VDC high-limit thermostat's 2-way male plug to the 6-way female plug. The diesel-burner will not ignite during normal operation if the VDC high-limit thermostat is left disconnected.

Be sure to remove the jumper wire that was used to make the connection from the C-1 location to the C-7 location. Failure to do so will result in an overheating condition during normal operation.

**NOTE:** If the Control Box is replaced and the Ignition Coils still will not operate, it is possible the Electronic Controller is defective.

### Replacement Procedure:

1. Remove both the B-plug and the C-plug from the diesel-burner controller. Gently pry away each side of the diesel-burner controller bracket from the diesel-burner controller's locking posts with a flat-head screw driver. Once the locking posts have been released, pull on the diesel-burner controller to remove it from the diesel-burner head.
2. Slide the new diesel-burner controller into the diesel-burner controller bracket. Push down on the diesel-burner controller until the locking posts snap into the bracket slots.
3. Reconnect the B-plug and the C-plug.

**NOTE:** Be sure to install the diesel-burner controller with its C-plug and B-plug ports facing downward. Failure to do so, will result in moisture collecting in the ports and potential damage to the diesel-burner controller's internal circuitry.

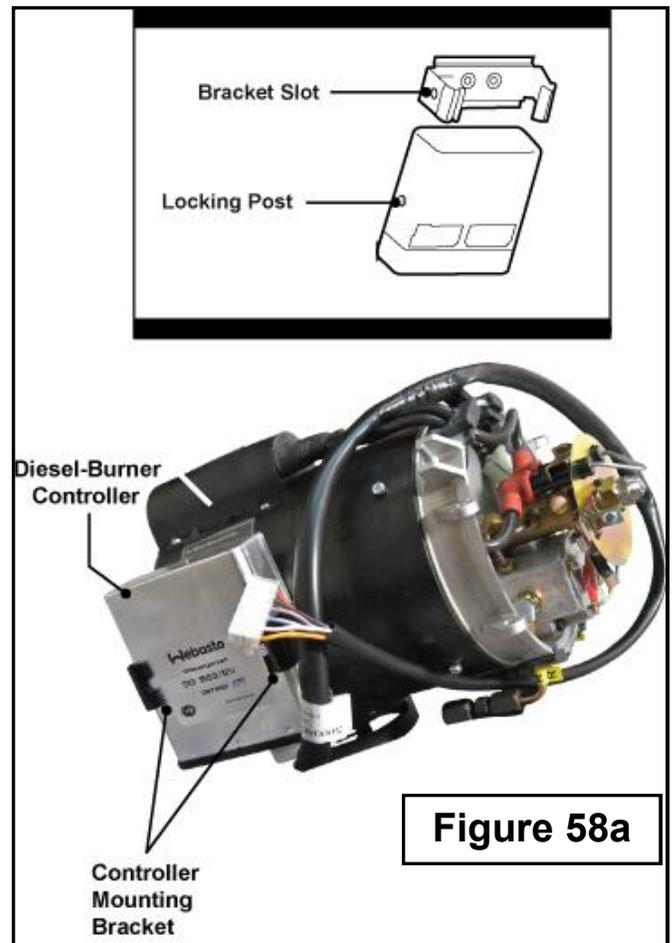
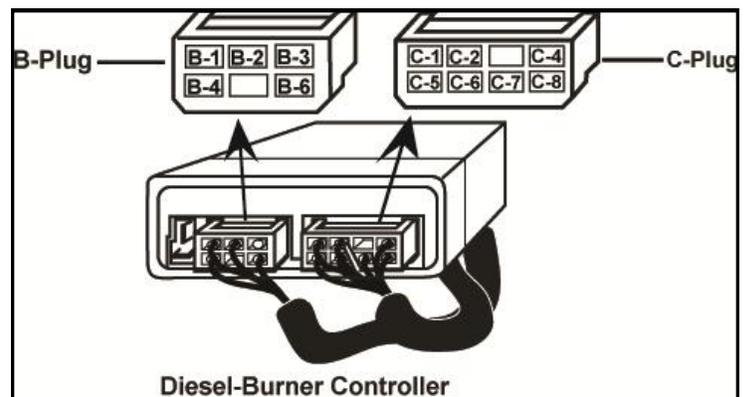


Figure 58a

Figure 58b



Diesel-Burner Controller

**IF THE HYDRO-HOT IS BLACK SMOKING:**

**1. Things to check before opening up heater**

1. Low Voltage - Fire up generator/plug coach into shore power
2. Damaged or Restricted exhaust pipe - Inspect exhaust pipe for damage

**2. Access cover must be removed to check the following:**

1. Air Intake Closed off - on the bottom of the burner is the air adjustment, set at the half way point.
2. Broken Protection Cap - Check cap for cracks or missing pieces.
3. Worn OUT Grommets — run hands over grommets, on top and bottom, and feel for excessive air
4. Burner not seated properly or Loose - run hands along the seal of the burner, and check for excessive air
5. Air Intake Sleeve collapsed

**3. Diesel Burner must be removed to check the following:**

1. Photo Disc Bent or Tight — The photo disc must be loose, so it will seal on the combustion chamber properly
2. Combustion Chamber Warped/Melted — Inspect for signs of warping/melted aluminum.
3. Bad Nozzle - If nozzle is spraying poorly, it must be replaced
4. Fuel Pressure not at 145 PSI — Check fuel pressure with fuel pressure gauge

**4. Diesel Burner must be torn down to check the following:**

1. Slow Motor (Less Than 4500rpms at 12v) - a slow motor acts the same as low voltage. Check motor rpm with an rpm tester, under full load.
2. Bearings are worn out - Bearings should spin freely, and sound smooth. If they are starting to seize up, they will slow the motor down.
3. Impeller Fan Not Gapped Properly — The impeller needs to be gapped at 3-5 thousands or tighten fan down until it rubs, back it off ¼ turn.

**IF THE HYDRO-HOT IS BLUE/WHITE SMOKING:**

**1. If The Heater Smokes on Start up/Shut down.**

- a. Fuel solenoid
  - plunger worn out
  - plastic/metal in the way of plunger
  - fuel solenoid intermittent.
- b. Nozzle Tower
  - cracked
  - poorly machined
- c. Short cycling
  - control t-stat bad
  - someone turned heater off/on repeatedly
- d. Return Fuel Check Valve
  - heaters manufactured before 2001

**NOTE:** It is normal for the heater to blue/white smoke for 3-5 seconds on start up and shut down.

**2. If The Heater Smokes During The Burn Cycle.**

- a. Electrodes out of adjustment
- b. Air in the fuel system
- c. Bad nozzle
- d. Fuel pressure
- e. Fuel Pump
- f. Intermittent Ignition Coil
  - If the coil doesn't turn on, the fuel sprays for 20 seconds, before the photo eye shuts the fuel off.

**IF ONE OF THE HYDRO-HOT HEATING ZONES WILL NOT GET HOT:**

**1. General Problems**

- A. Diesel/Electric not operating  
(antifreeze cold)
- B. Heater is Not up to operating Temperature  
(antifreeze is cold)
- C. Interior Zone Thermostat Not calling for heat
- D. Zone Circulation Pump Not Operating
- E. Heat Exchanger Fans Not Operating
- E. The Low Temp Cut-Off status light is not illuminated on the Electronic Control Board.
- G. The Electronic Control Board is wired wrong  
(i.e.) the fans for the bedroom come on but the pump for the living room comes on.
- H. Not enough Heat Exchangers installed
- I. Heat Exchangers improperly installed.

**2. If Fans and Pumps *are* Running**

- A. Stuck Check Valve
- B. Kinked Line
- C. No Antifreeze in system

**IF THERE IS A LACK OF DOMESTIC HOT WATER:**

**1: General information**

1. The heater is only rated for water flow of 1.5 GPM
2. The heater is only rated for a 55°F temperature Rise on the cold water coming into the unit
3. The diesel burner must be on for continuous hot water, the electric element is for limited use only.

**2: Things to test for a lack of hot water problem.**

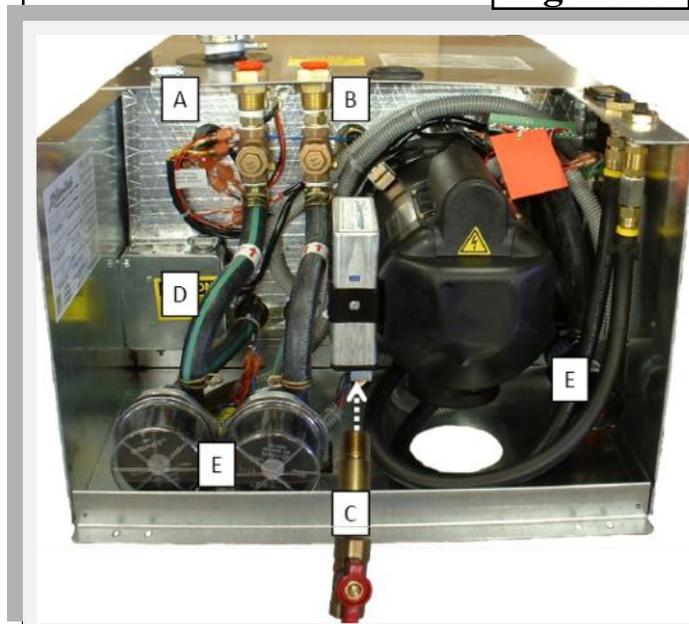
1. Hydro-Hot Heater Bypassed
2. Outside Water Faucet is left on.
3. Washing Machine Valve has gone bad
4. Antifreeze Concentration is incorrect.
  - a. 30%-50% antifreeze concentration
5. Operating Range of the heater (I.E. Control Thermostat) is incorrect
  - a. 160° F - 190° F
6. Water Flow is too fast
  - a. Must be 1.5 GPM or Less.
7. Mixer Valve is stuck (knob does not turn freely)
8. Low Temperature Cut-off Thermostat is not functioning properly
  - a. Needs to trip within 1 – 2 Minutes when running hot water
  - b. Needs to turn the stir pump on, if the diesel burner switch is on as well.
9. Stir Pump is not functioning properly
  - a. Needs to be running when the diesel burner switch is on, and the Low Temperature Cut-Off thermostat is Tripped.
  - b. Hold onto both upper and lower hose to make sure both get hot

## 1. On the Front-Side:

- A. Fluid Level Sensor/Float Switch
- B. Control Thermostat
- C. Drain Valve Assembly (may be plastic)
- D. Electric Heating Element
- E. Circulation Pump (s) / Stir Pump.
  - i. When checking the circulation pumps be sure to inspect all of the plumbing: Hoses, the Tank Ports, and the Circulation Pump.
- F. Combustion Burn Chamber leak
  - i. When the Combustion Burn Chamber leaks, the antifreeze will run out the tip of the exhaust pipe.

NOTE: The burner will need to be removed

**Figure 59**



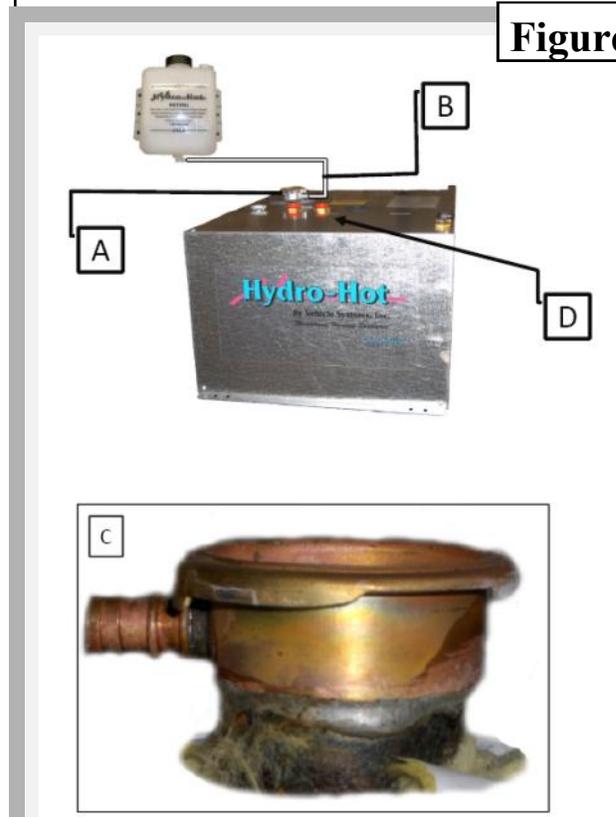
## 2. On the Top of The Unit

- A. Radiator Cap
  - i. bad seal
  - ii. Loose
- B. Expansion Tank Tubing
  - i. Cracked
  - ii. Loose
- C. Filler Neck
  - i. Bent
  - ii. Broken nipple
  - iii. Bad solder joint

**NOTE:** Newer model heaters do not have a radiator cap. They will have a brass hose barb fitting, which the expansion tank tubing connects to. There is also an air release valve on the brass fitting, that may leak.

- D. Supply and Return interior zone heat ports.
  - i. tubing/hose
  - ii. Brass fittings

**Figure 60**



**NOTE:** On the Hydro Hot Models the interior zone heat return ports are located on the Back of the unit.

### 3. On the Back:

#### A. Domestic Water and Coach Engine copper plumbing.

- i. The copper coils are in the antifreeze solution and where they come through the steel tank is a possible point of leakage for each pipe.

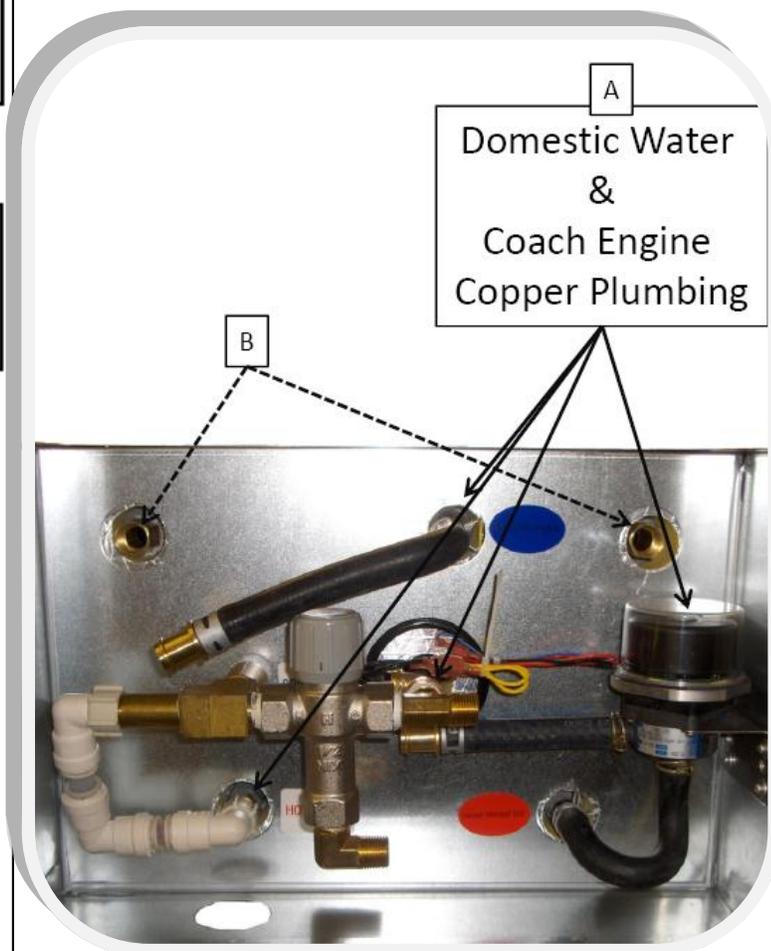
#### B. Interior Zone Heat Return ports

- i. Either the coach manufacturer's fitting could be leaking, or the brass fitting on the back of the Hydro-Hot, supplied by Hydro-Hot could be leaking. The brass fitting may need to be removed to inspect for cracks.

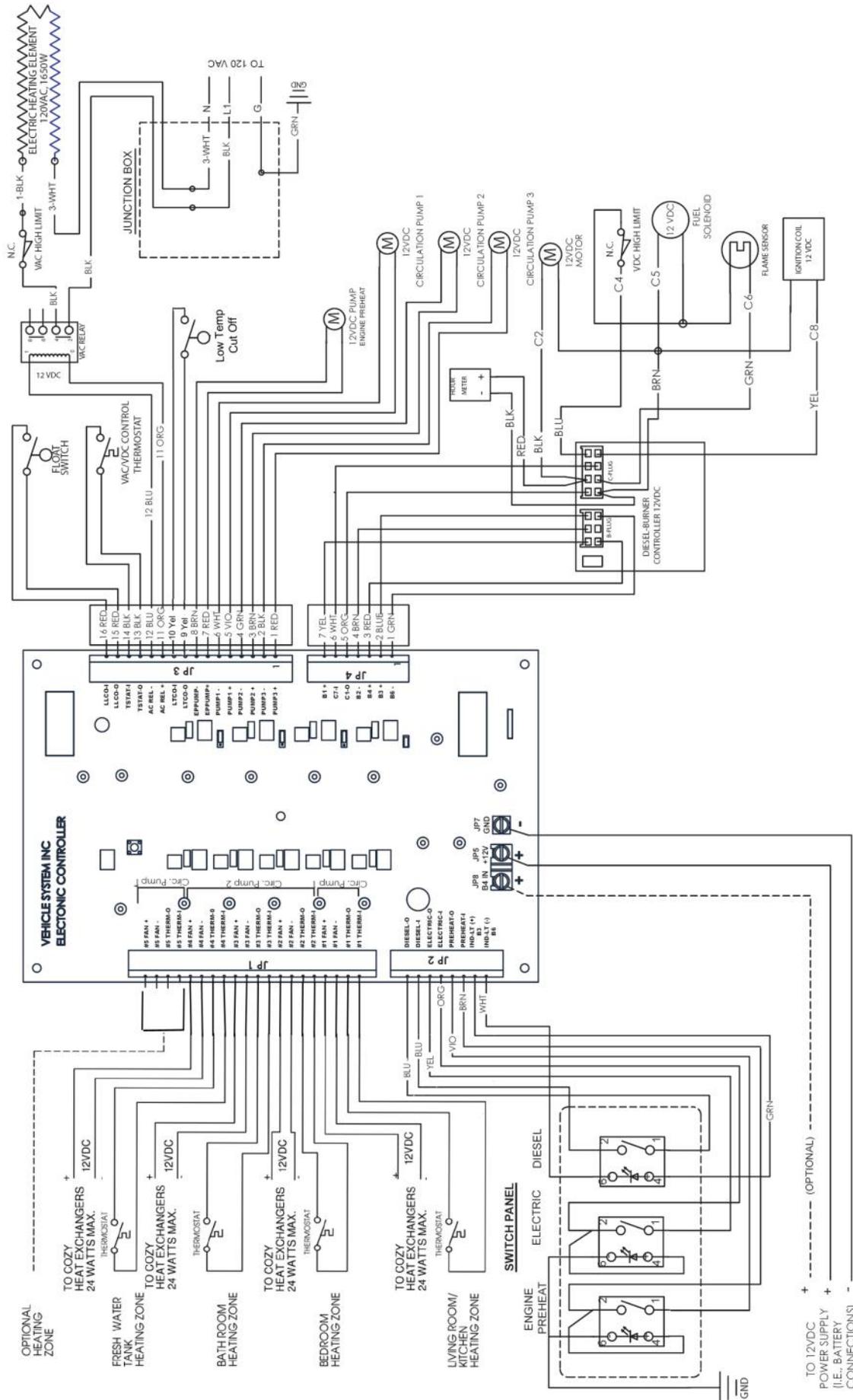
**NOTE:** On some of the AHE-450 models the return ports are on the top of the heater, and do not utilize the brass fitting supplied by aqua-hot.

**NOTE:** If no leaks are found on the Aqua-Hot, it is possible the leak is on the interior of the motor home. It could be an interior heat exchanger, or the plumbing for the interior heat exchangers.

**Figure 61**



# APPENDIX A: WIRING DIAGRAM



## APPENDIX B: FUEL PRESSURE CHECK AND ADJUSTMENT

### Instructions for Checking Fuel Pressure

#### NOTE:

A fuel pressure gauge is used to properly check the fuel pump's pressure setting. The fuel pump is preset to 145 PSI. Perform the following procedures to check for a proper fuel pressure setting.

**NOTE:** In order to perform the following procedure it is necessary to detach and reattach the diesel-burner head. Be sure to review the detaching/attaching instructions.

#### Step 1: Remove the diesel-burner



Figure B1

1. Refer to the section on detaching/reattaching the diesel burner, to detach the diesel burner.

#### Step 2: Installing the fuel pressure gauge



Figure B2

1. Using a 5/8" and a 3/4" wrench remove the fuel nozzle.

### Instructions for Checking Fuel Pressure

#### Step 3: Installing the fuel pressure gauge



Figure B3

1. Using a 5/8" and a 3/4" wrench install the fuel pressure gauge.

#### WARNING!

A spark will appear across the ignition electrodes for a brief moment after the diesel burner has been activated. **DO NOT** attempt to make any fuel pressure adjustments until the spark has disappeared. Failure to do so may result in serious bodily injury. In some installations it may be necessary to shine a light on the flame sensor to simulate a flame condition to shot of the ignition coil.



Figure B4

2. Turn the diesel burner switch to the on position. A pressure will register on the fuel pressure gauge once the fuel solenoid opens (after approx. 10-20 seconds).

## **Instructions for Adjusting Fuel Pressure**

**Step 1: Follow the directions for Checking the Fuel Pressure in this section.**

### **WARNING!**

A spark will appear across the ignition electrodes for a brief moment after the diesel burner has been activated. **DO NOT** attempt to make any fuel pressure adjustments until the spark has disappeared. Failure to do so may result in serious bodily injury. In some installations it may be necessary to shine a light on the flame sensor to simulate a flame condition to shot of the ignition coil.

**Figure B5**



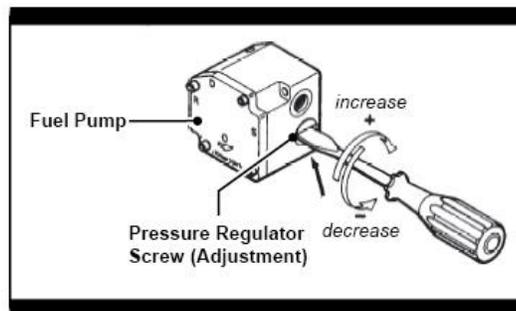
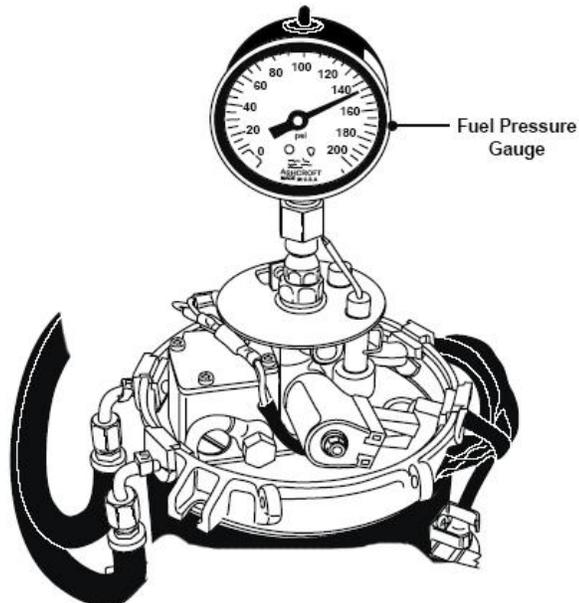
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## APPENDIX B: FUEL PRESSURE CHECK AND ADJUSTMENT

### Instructions for Adjusting Fuel Pressure

#### Step 2: Adjust the Fuel pressure to 145 PSI.

Figure B6



2. Once the fuel solenoid has been activated, and the fuel pressure gauge is registering a pressure, the fuel pressure can be adjusted. To increase the fuel pressure turn the pressure adjustment screw clockwise, and to reduce the fuel pressure, turn the pressure adjustment screw counter clockwise.

**NOTE:** If the fuel pressure cannot be adjusted refer to the fuel pump section in section ? Of this manual for troubleshooting tips.

### WARNING!

When storing the Motor home: Not winterizing the Hydro-Hot when freezing temperatures are present will result in serious damage to the Hydro-Hot's Domestic Water Heating System. Also, be sure to use an FDA approved, "GRAS" rated antifreeze for winterization.

**NOTE:** The Hydro-Hot can continue to be used for interior zone heating once the domestic water heating system has been drained and winterized.

### Diesel-Burner

1. If the Diesel burner Fails to operate:
  - A. Is the Diesel Fuel in the motor home winter fuel or summer fuel?
  - B. Is the Diesel Fuel liquid or Jelled?
  - C. Are the electrodes properly adjusted?
  - D. When was the last time an Annual Service was performed?

### 120 Volt-A.C. Electric Heating Element

Please note that the 120 Volt-AC Electric Heating Element is the Hydro-Hot's **secondary heat source** for heating both the interior and/or the domestic hot water during low heating demand situations (such as when moderate ambient temperatures exist and/or when there is a low demand for domestic hot water).

If the 120 Volt-AC Electric Heating Element is not providing enough heat, turn the Diesel-Burner on, in conjunction with the 120 Volt-AC Electric Heating Element.

Figure C1

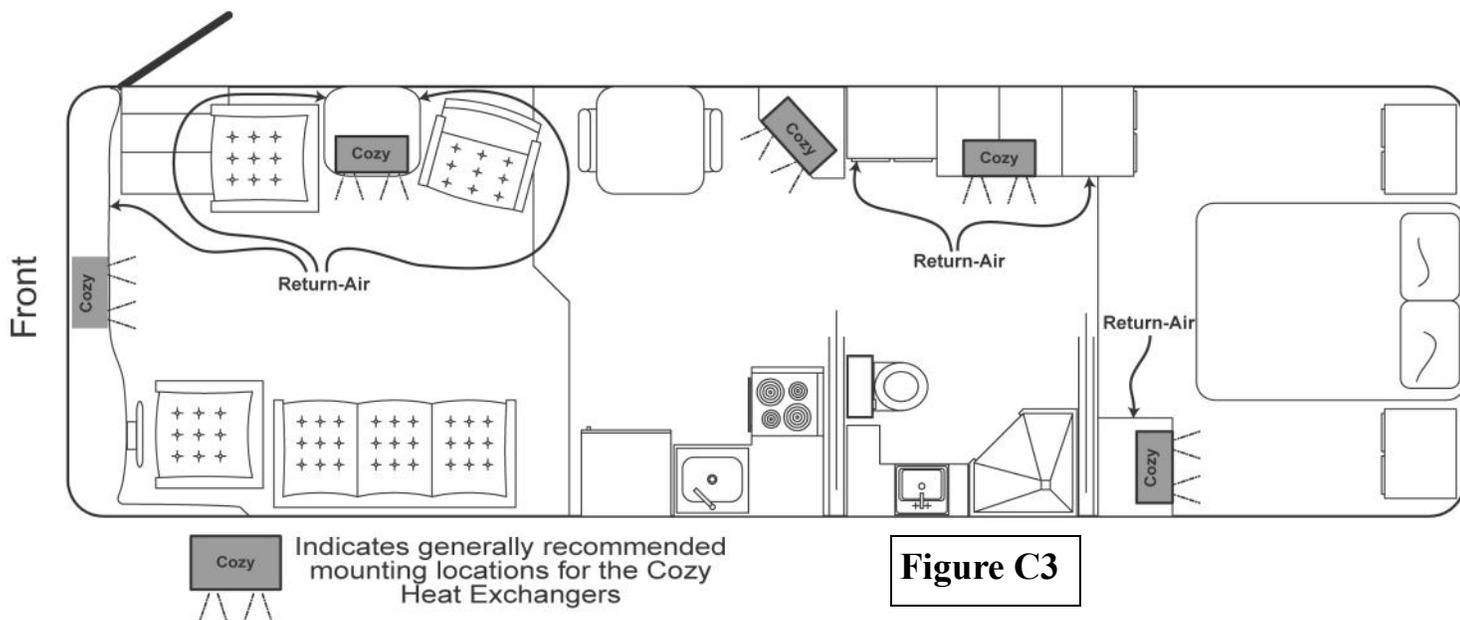
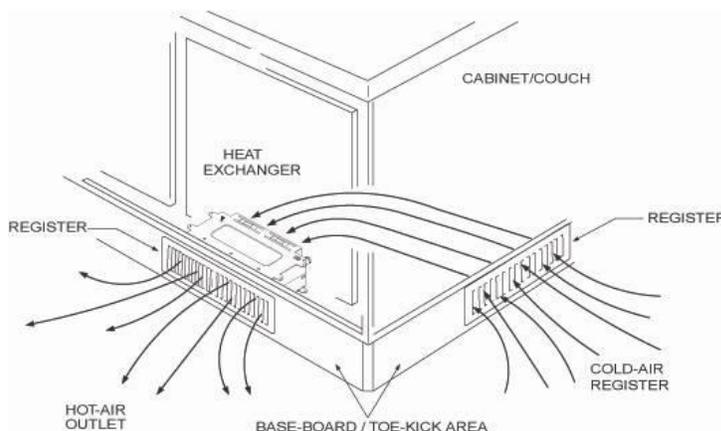


## If there is a lack of interior Heat:

**Note:** The 120 Volt-AC Electric Heating Element is the Hydro-Hot's **secondary heat source** for heating both the interior and/or the domestic hot water during low heating demand situations (such as when moderate ambient temperatures exist and/or when there is a low demand for domestic hot water). If the ambient temperature is extremely cold the Diesel-Burner must be utilized.

1. Is the Diesel Burner activated?
2. Is the Diesel Burner operating Properly?
3. What is the antifreeze concentration, inside of the Hydro-Hot Boiler Tank?
4. Was the heating system properly installed, following the Hydro-Hot installation manual?
  - A. Are there at least 5 heat exchangers installed in the Interior of the motor home?
  - B. Are there cold air returns installed for every heat exchanger? Reference Figure C2
  - C. Are the heat exchangers mounted as close to the hot air outlet grill as possible? Reference Figure C2.

**Figure C2**



**Figure C3**

## APPENDIX D: HYDRO-HOT MAINTENANCE

### Monthly Maintenance:

Check the antifreeze and water heating solution to ensure that it is at the proper level by visually checking the solution level in the expansion tank. The level of the antifreeze and water heating solution within the expansion tank should only be checked when the Hydro-Hot is at maximum operating temperature.

If additional antifreeze and water heating solution is required, fill the expansion tank to the “HOT” level mark. Be sure to reference Section 2 of this manual to ensure that the proper type of antifreeze is selected and mixed with high-quality water at the correct mixture ratio.

Additionally, it is recommended that the diesel-burner be fired and allowed to run monthly to keep it in good working order.

### Annual Maintenance:

**⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

**FAILURE TO DISCONNECT ALL POWER SUPPLIES AND/OR TO ALLOW THE HEATER TO COOL BEFORE SERVICING COULD CAUSE SERIOUS DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY.**

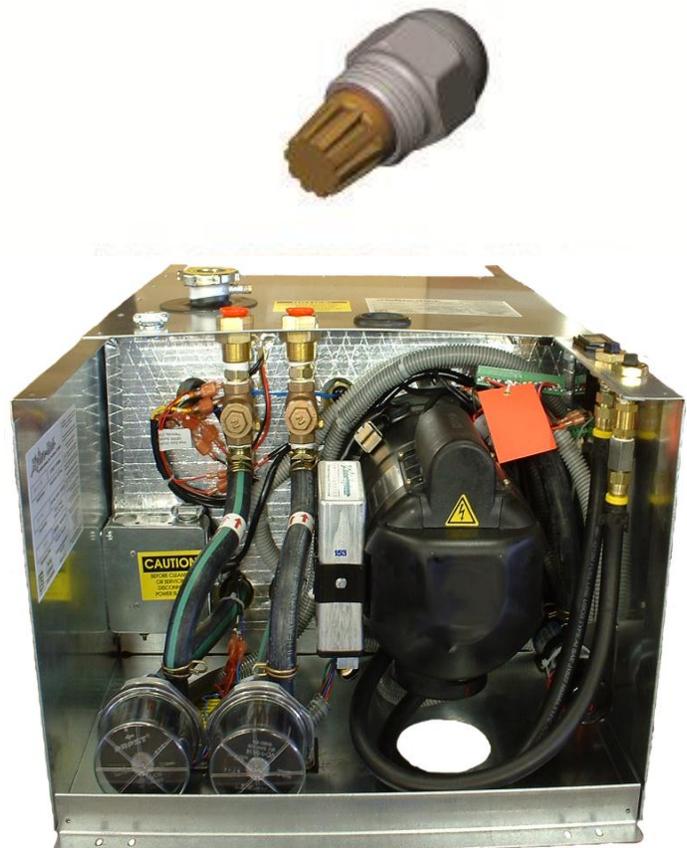
To keep the Hydro-Hot running smoothly, it is recommended to have the diesel-burner tuned up annually. A tune-up should consist of a new fuel nozzle and fuel filter, along with a thorough cleaning of the combustion chamber. To ensure maximum diesel-burner performance, always use the recommended fuel nozzle and fuel filter when replacing these parts.

**NOTE:** Be sure to use care when handling the fuel nozzle. Oils and/or small dust or dirt particles from the hands may plug the nozzle’s small orifice. A partially plugged orifice will restrict fuel flow, which will affect the combustion process of the diesel-burner.

**Figure D1**



**Fuel Nozzle**



### Hydro-Hot Maintenance Procedure:

**Note:** Before performing an annual maintenance, it is recommended to test run the Diesel-Burner. While testing inspect exhaust for smoke.

### Step 1: Test Run the Diesel Burner

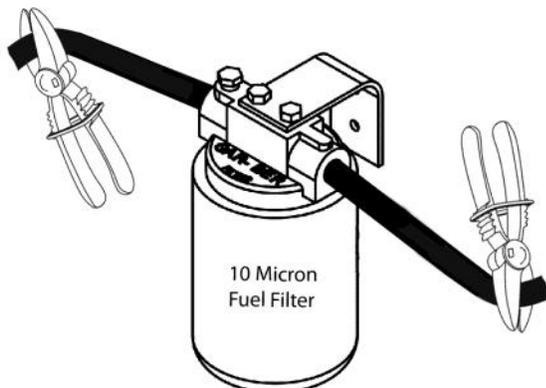
1. Turn the Diesel-Burner Switch to the on position.
2. After the Diesel-Burner has ignited, inspect the exhaust for smoke.
3. Shut the Diesel-Burner off, and wait for unit to completely shut off.

**NOTE: The diesel-burner can either be shut off by:**  
1. Turning the Diesel Burner switch to the off position.  
2. Disconnecting the control thermostat wires  
**Reference Figure E3**

### Step 2: Replace the Fuel Filter

1. Locate Fuel Filter.
2. Using hose pinch off pliers, clamp off both fuel lines going to the fuel filter. Reference figure D2.

**Figure D2**



3. Replace fuel filter, with proper replacement canister.

**NOTE:** It is recommended that the replacement fuel filter be filled with clean diesel fuel, prior to installation

4. Remove hose pinch off pliers.

### Step 3: Run the Diesel Burner

1. Turn the Diesel-Burner Switch to the on position.
2. After the Diesel-Burner has ignited, let it burn for 1 - 2 minutes to purge the old fuel out of the nozzle holder, to prevent contamination of the replacement nozzle.
3. Shut the Diesel-Burner off, and wait for unit to completely shut off.

**NOTE: The diesel-burner can either be shut off by:**  
1. Turning the Diesel Burner switch to the off position.  
2. Disconnecting the control thermostat wires  
**Reference Figure D3**

**Thermostat Connector**

**Figure D3**

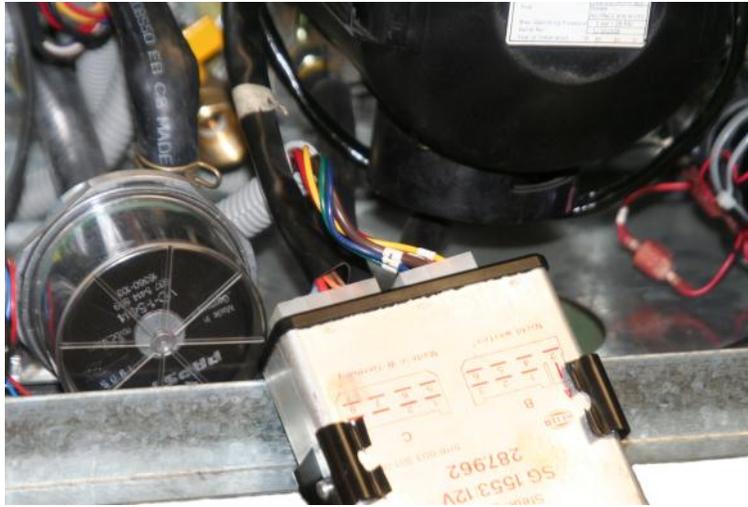


**Diesel Burner Controller Plugs**

### Hydro-Hot Maintenance Procedure:

#### Step 4: Remove The Diesel Burner

**Figure D4a**



1. Locate the Diesel-Burner's Controller and disconnect both plugs. Failure to do so may result in the Diesel burner igniting.

**Figure D4b**



**Figure D4c**



3. The Diesel-Burner is secured to the Hydro-Hot with two 10mm nuts that can be loosened, and swung out of the way by using a 10mm socket wrench with a 10 inch long extension.

### Hydro-Hot Maintenance Procedure:

#### Step 4: Remove The Diesel Burner (continued)

**Figure D4d**



4. Carefully pull the Diesel-Burner away from the Hydro-Hot 4 to 5 inches before rotating the burner, and then remove.

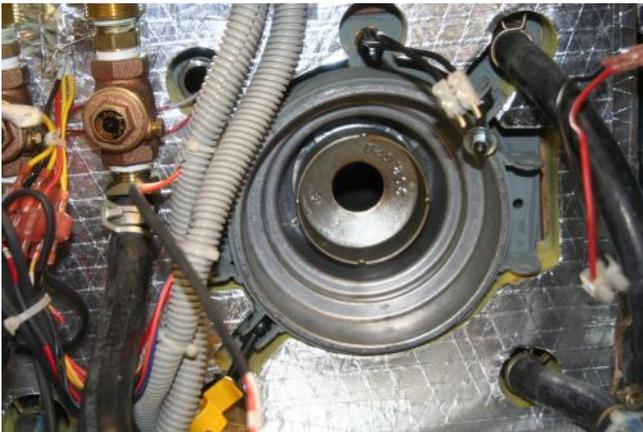
**NOTE:** To remove the diesel burner, it may be necessary to disconnect the control and hi limit thermostats from the diesel-burner's white thermostat plug.

### Step 5: Clean and Inspect the Combustion Chamber and Heat Transfer Tabs.

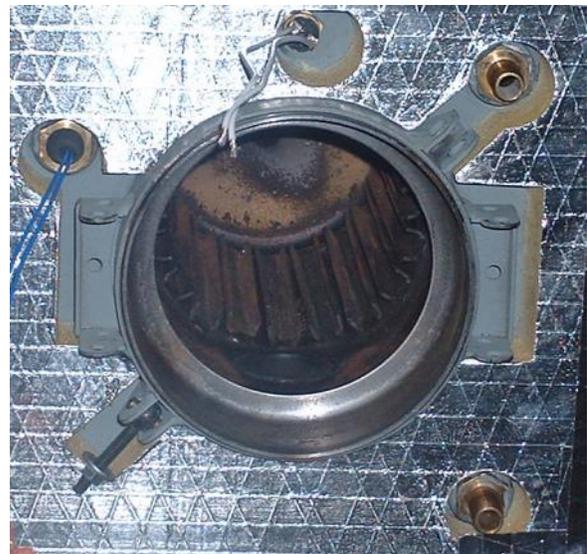
#### **⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

Use caution when handling the combustion chamber, it may be extremely hot, and serious burns could result from touching a hot combustion chamber.

**Figure D5a**



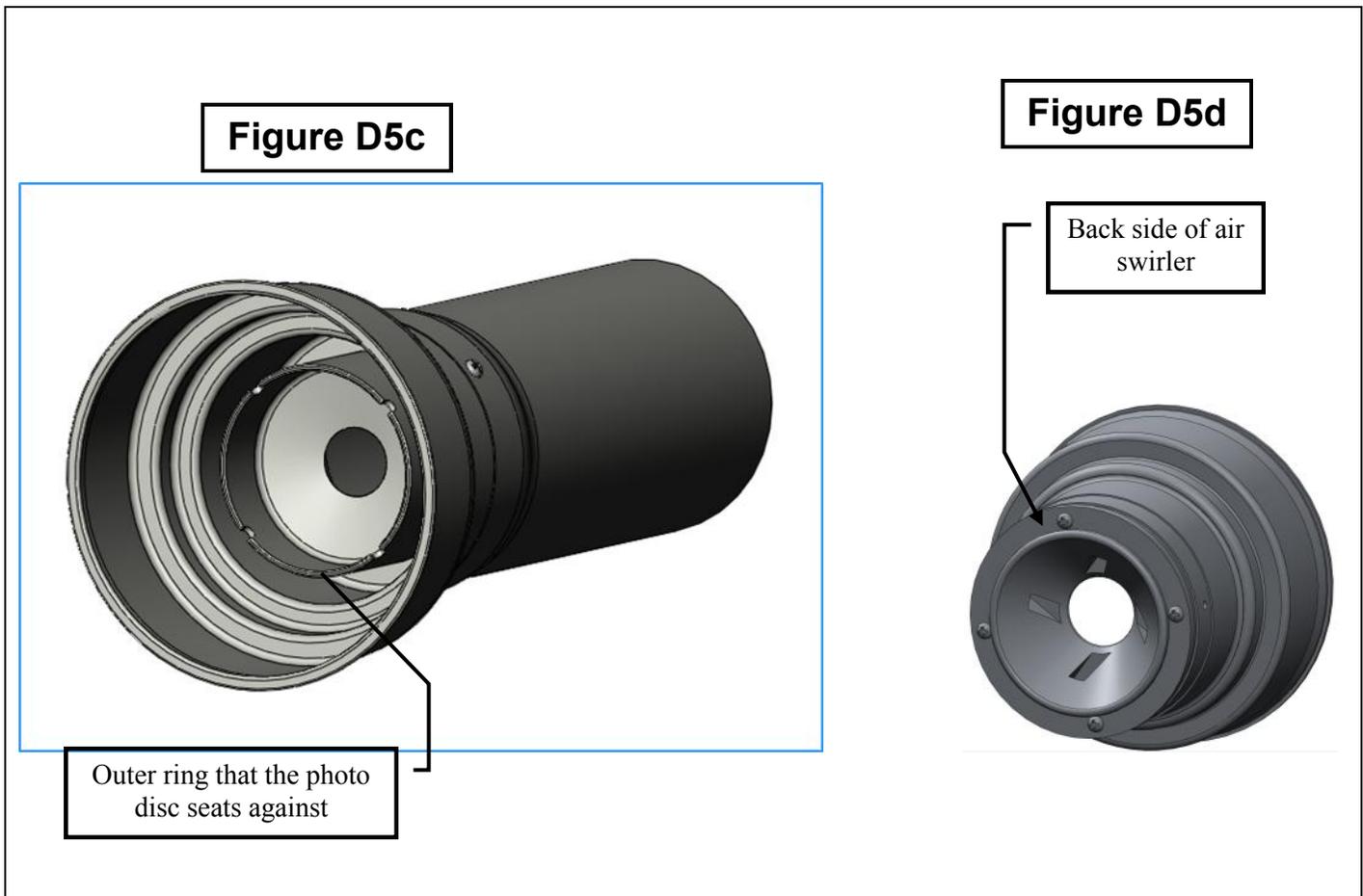
**Figure D5b**



1. Remove the combustion chamber by pulling it straight out, approximately 16 inches.
2. Once the combustion chamber has been removed. Use a long handled wire brush, and brush the heat transfer tabs, to loosen soot deposits. Failure to do so will reduce the Hydro-Hot's heat transfer capabilities.

**NOTE:** If the heat transfer tabs are excessively sooty, it may be necessary to vacuum the soot out of the heat transfer tabs. If there is a minimal amount of soot, it may be left in the heat transfer tabs, and will be evacuated out the exhaust pipe, upon start up of diesel burner.

**Step 5: Clean and Inspect the Combustion Chamber and Heat Transfer Tabs**  
**(continued)**



3. Inspect the Combustion Chamber for damage or signs of warping.

1. Remove and Inspect the aluminum Air Swirler for signs of warping. If any part of the Air Swirler is warped the combustion chamber must be replace.
  - A. Inspect the outer ring that the photo disc seats against for signs of warping.
  - B. Inspect the back side of the Air Swirler for signs of warping between screws.

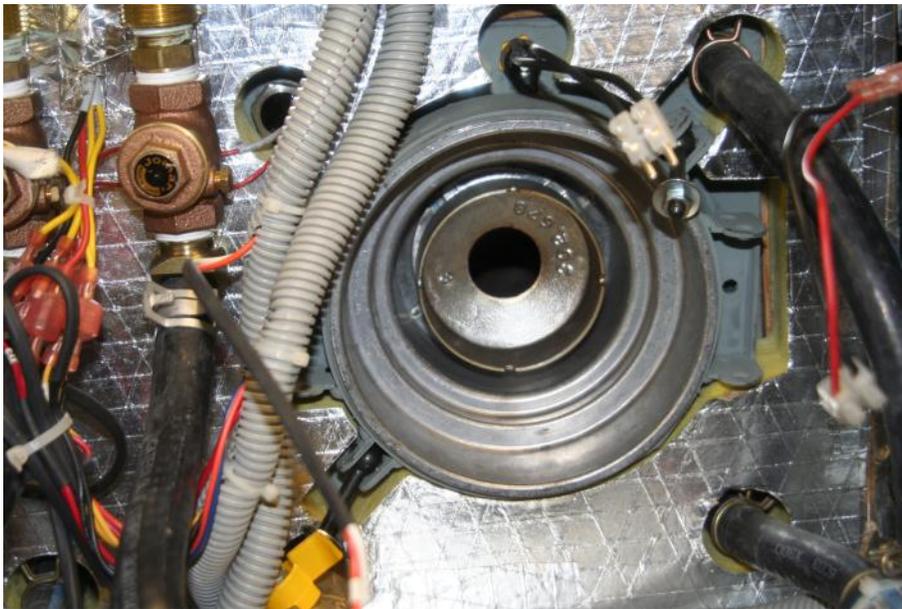
**Note:** If the Aluminum on the combustion chamber is melted or warped, it is recommended to replace the Flame Sensor along with the Combustion Chamber.

**Step 6: Reinstall the Combustion Chamber**

**CAUTION!**

Failure to reinstall the combustion chamber will result in serious damage to the diesel burner.

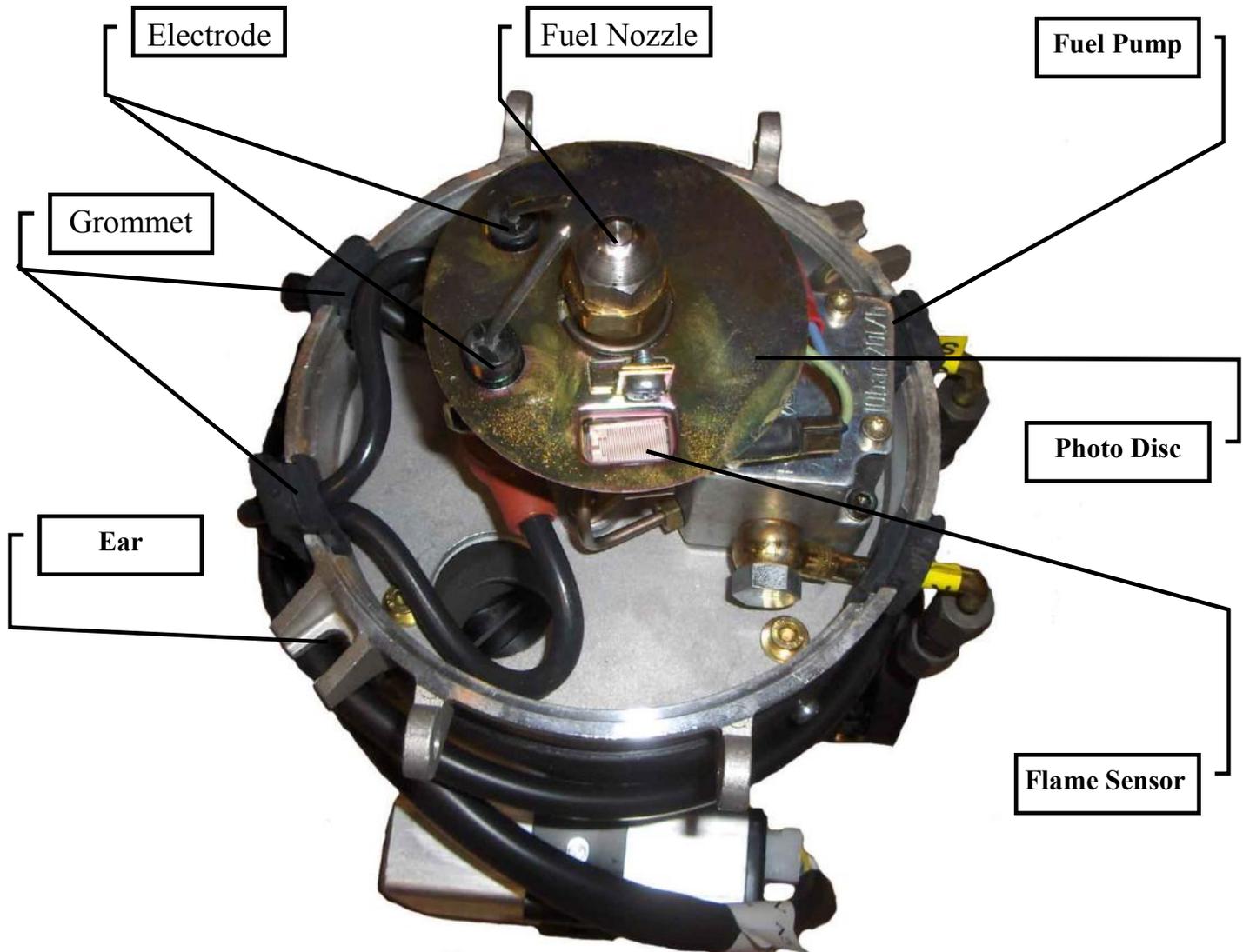
**Figure D6**



1. Reinstall the Combustion Chamber into the Hydro-Hot. Be sure to install the combustion chamber Seam in the 12:00 position. Failure to do so, may cause a crack to appear along the seam.

**Step 7: Inspect Diesel-Burner**

**Figure D7**



**Inspect the following:**

1. Electrodes
  - damaged
  - improperly adjusted

2. Fuel Pump
  - leaks

3. Photo disc
  - warped
  - bent

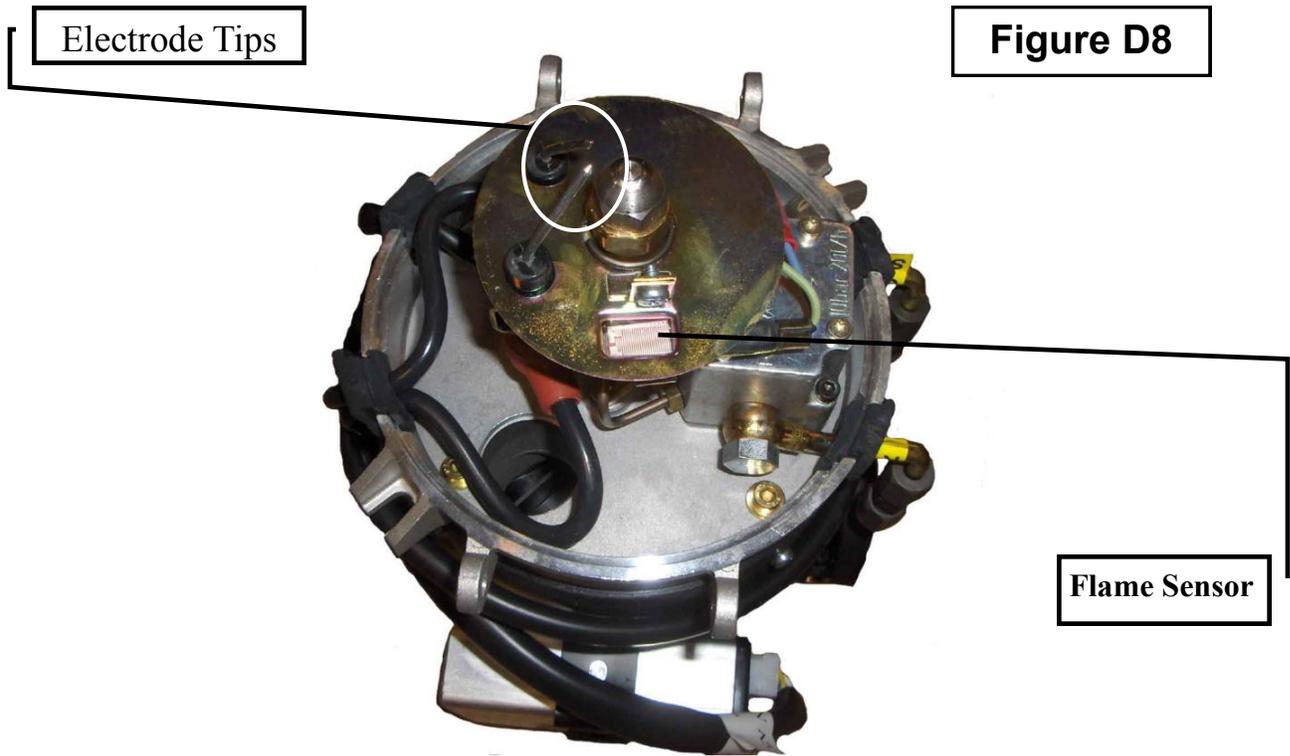
4. Harness & Ignition Coil Wires
  - crack or bare wires
  - Hard or brittle wires

5. Flame Sensor
  - cracked
  - overheated (purple color)
  - melted wires
  - dirty

6. Rubber Grommets
  - hard/brittle
  - rubber has been cut out
  - right/left

7. Broken or cracked “Ears”
  - due to over tightening of eyebolts.

**Step 8: Clean Ignition Electrodes and Flame Sensor**



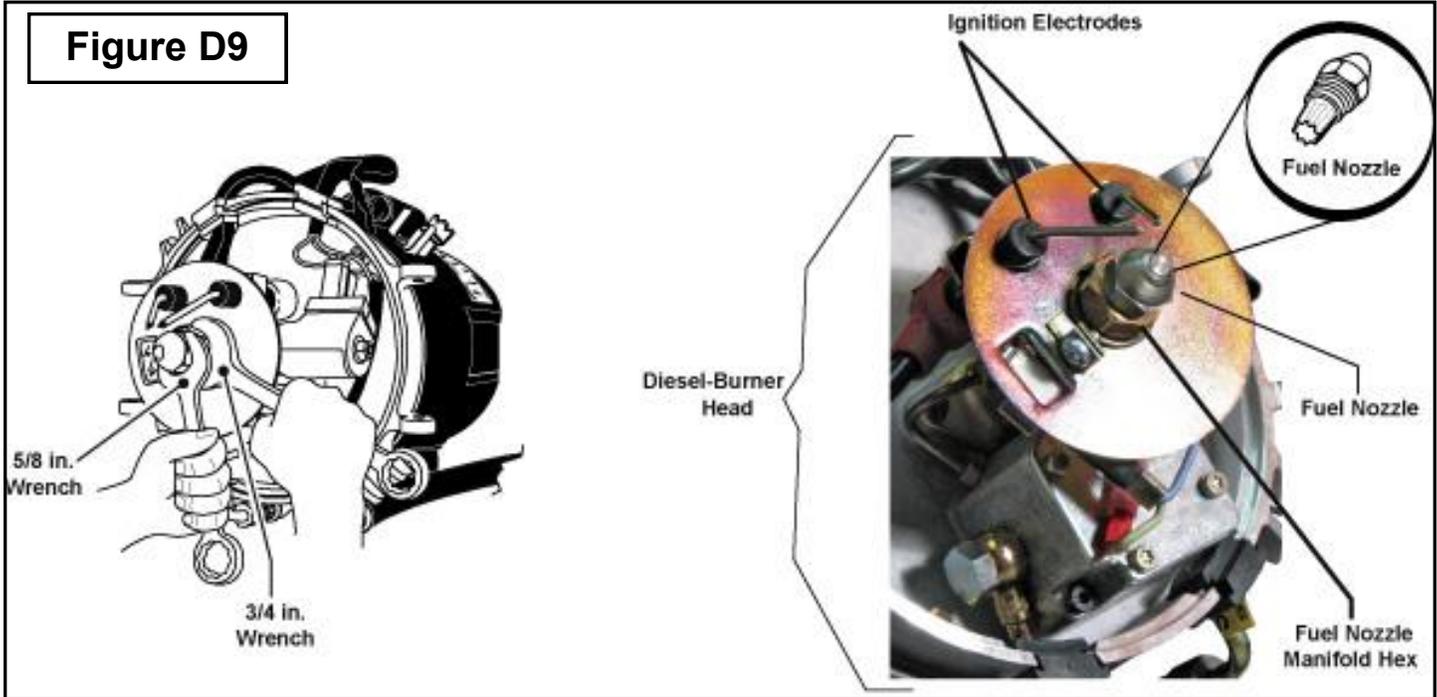
**1. Ignition electrodes -**

- A. Polish away any carbon deposits that may have baked onto the metal tips of the ignition electrodes with a course sponge.

**2. Flame Sensor -**

- A. For light dirt, dust, and/or carbon deposits, simply wipe off the flame sensor with a soft cloth.
- B. Should heavy carbon deposits be present, completely remove the flame sensor from the photo disc and clean with brake cleaner.

### Step 9: Replace The Fuel Nozzle



**NOTE:** It is recommended to check fuel pressure any time the fuel nozzle is replace.

1. Use a 3/4 in. wrench to hold the fuel nozzle manifold hex, while loosening the fuel nozzle with a 5/8 in. wrench and remove.

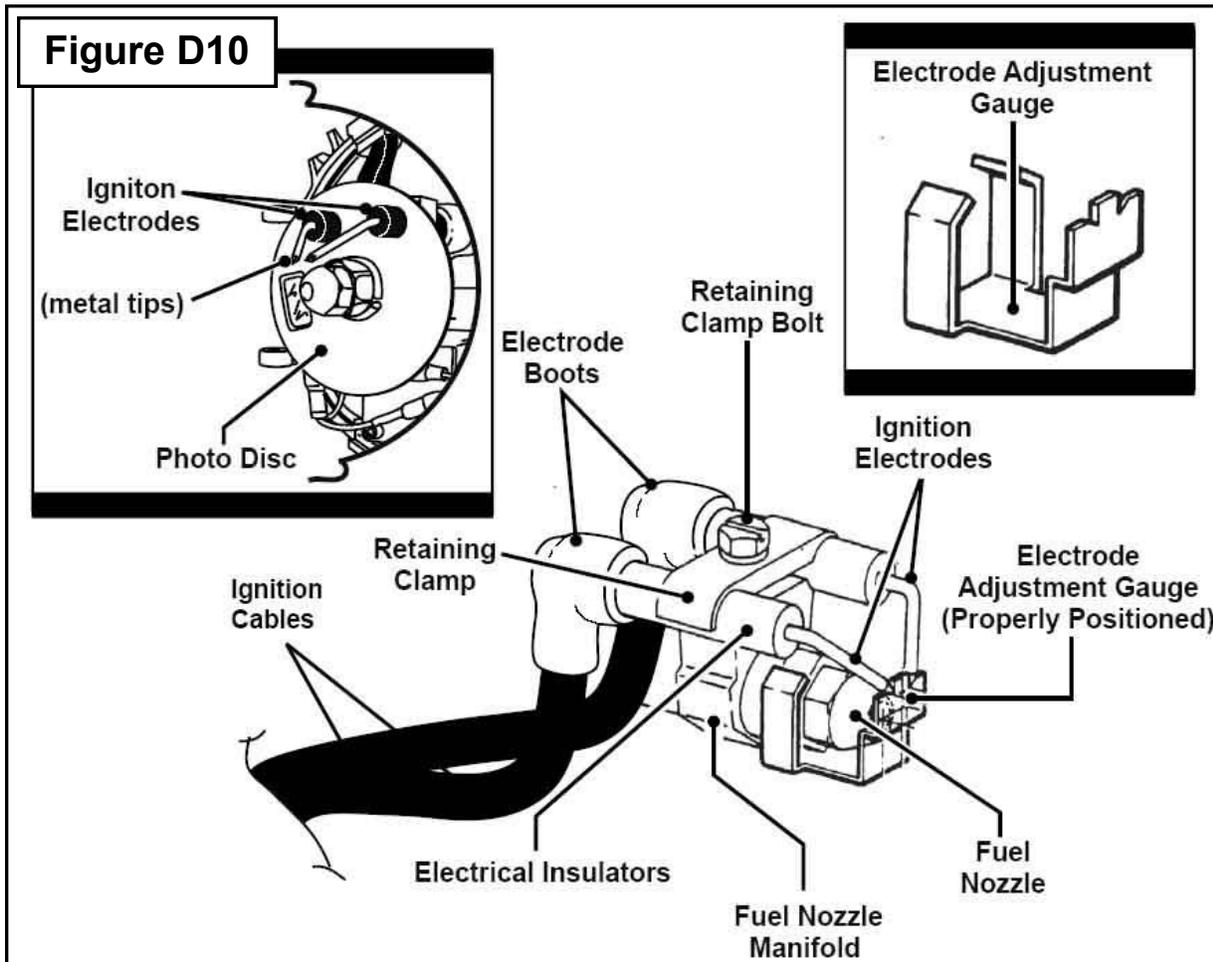
**NOTE:** Be sure to use care when handling the new fuel nozzle. Oils and/or small dust or dirt particles from your hands may plug the nozzle's small orifice. A partially plugged orifice will restrict fuel flow, which will affect the combustion process of the diesel-burner.

2. When replacing the fuel nozzle, be sure to tighten the nozzle, loosen it a 1/4 turn, and then firmly retighten. This will establish a seated fit and avoid any leaks.

**⚠ DANGER! ⚠**

Be sure to reattach the diesel-burner head prior to switching the heater ON. Failure to do so may result in ignition of the diesel-burner and serious bodily injury.

**Step 10: Adjust Ignition Electrodes**

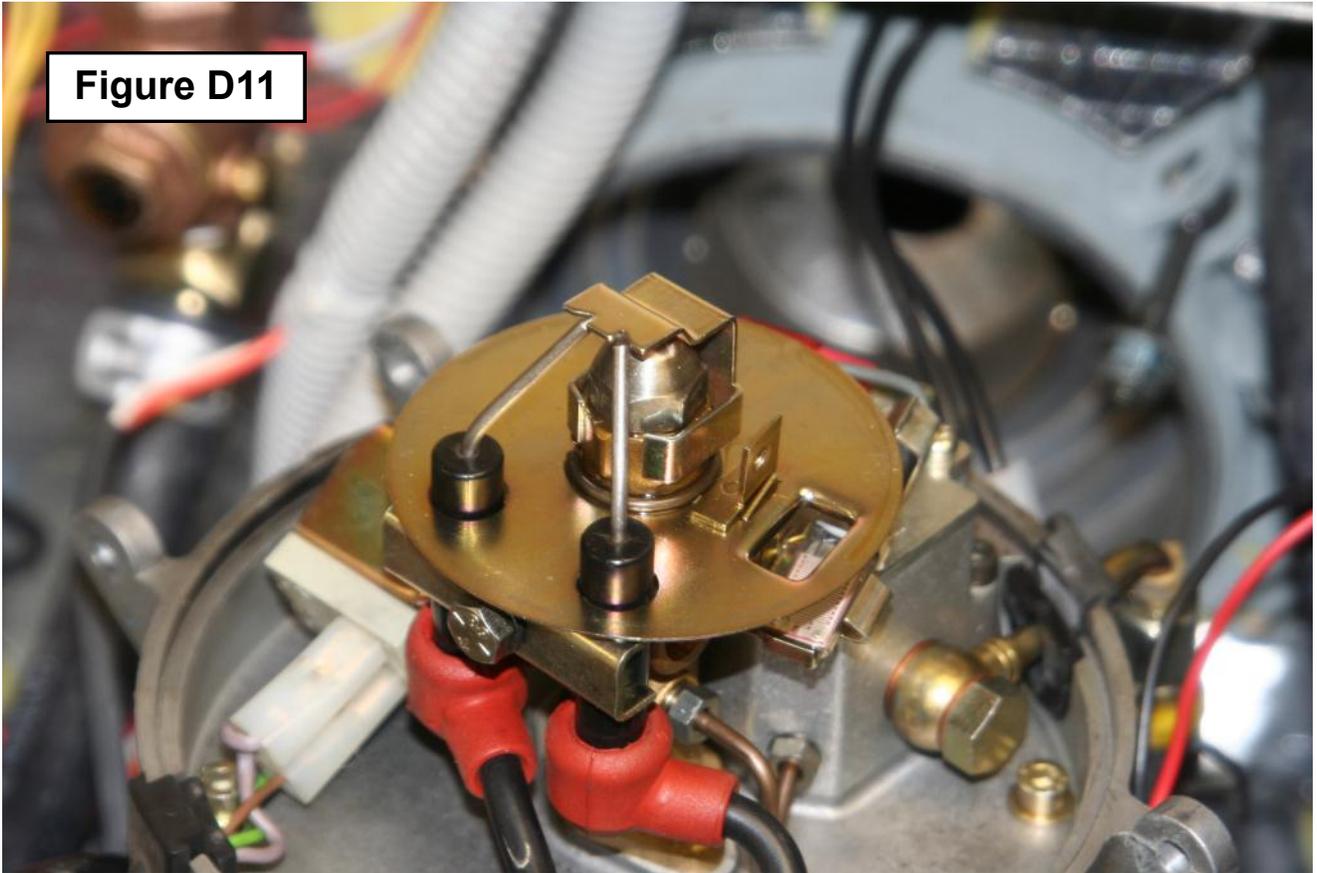


1. Using a 10mm socket, slightly loosen the retaining clamp bolt.
2. Place the electrode adjustment gauge on the nozzle manifold hex and insert the metal tips of the ignition electrodes into the appropriate notches of the electrode adjustment gauge.
3. Using a 10 mm socket, tighten the retaining clamp bolt.

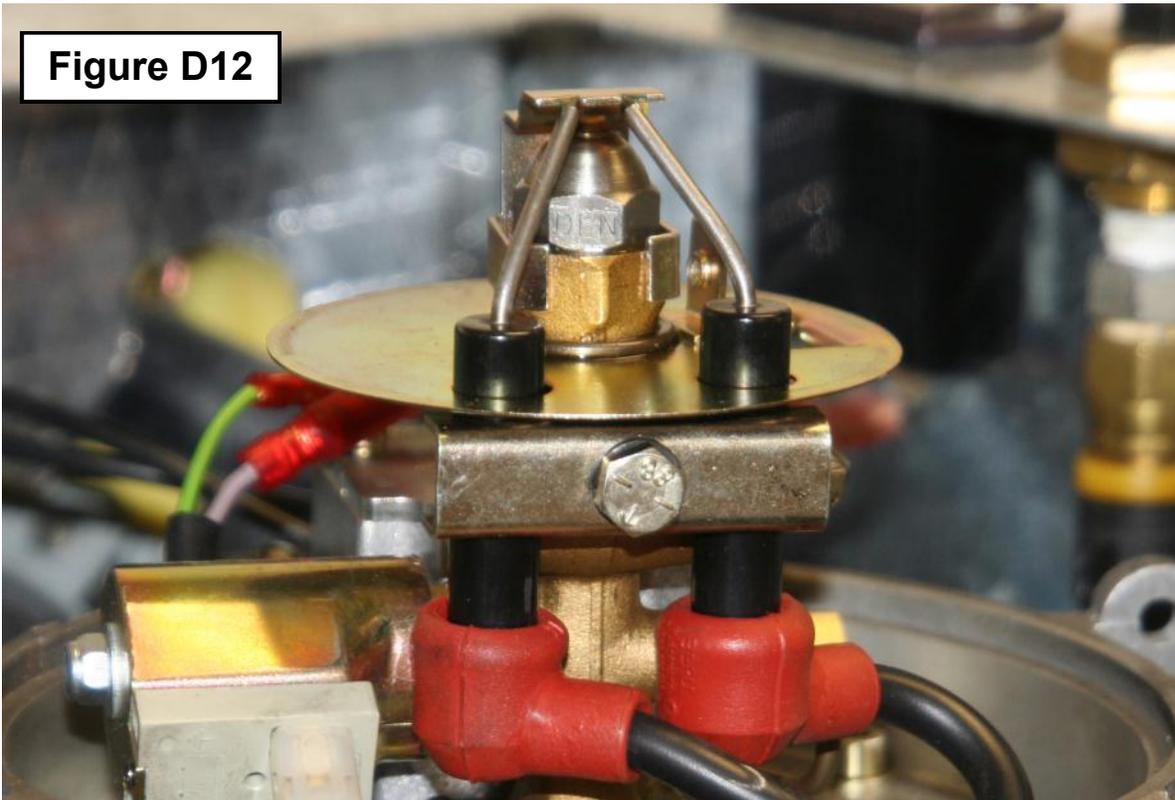
**NOTE:** Be sure not to over-tighten the retaining clamp bolt when readjusting the ignition electrodes. Over-tightening the retaining clamp bolt will bend the retaining clamp and prevent the photo disc from floating freely. Not allowing the photo disc to float freely will cause poor combustion and result in a smoky exhaust. A bent retaining clamp can be re-straightened with a punch and hammer. Lay the clamp's beveled side down on a solid flat surface and align the thick end of the punch at dead center. Tap the punch lightly until the retaining clamp returns to proper form.

4. Remove the electrode adjustment gauge.

**Figure D11**

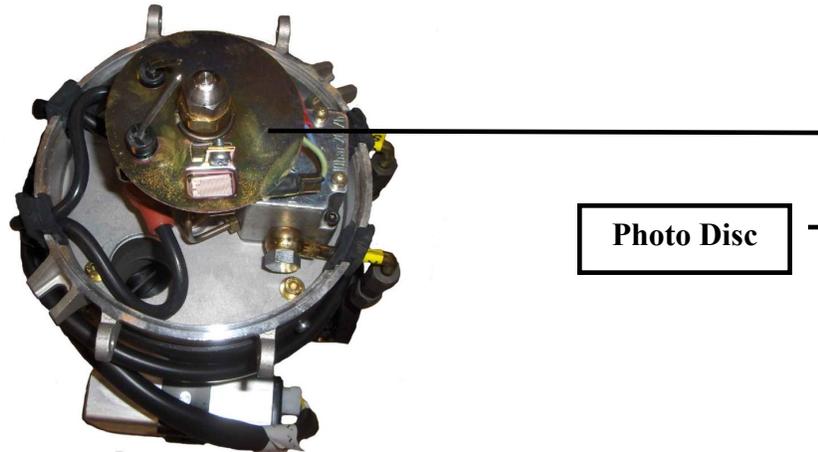


**Figure D12**



### Step 11: Inspect Photo Disc

**Figure D13**



1. If the photo disc is not free floating, the electrode clamp bolt has been over-tightened, and has bent the electrode clamp. Using a 10mm socket remove the electrode clamp, and re-straighten.

-Lay the clamp's beveled side down on a solid flat surface and align the thick end of the punch at dead center. Tap the punch lightly until the retaining clamp returns to proper form.

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### Step 12: Re-Install Diesel Burner

**Figure D14a**



**Figure D14b**



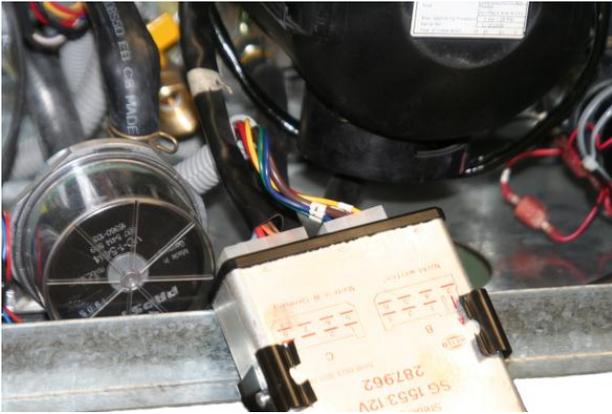
**NOTE: When reinstalling the diesel burner be careful not to damage the photo disc or bend the electrodes. Also, be careful to not pinch any wires between the burner and the Hydro-Hot Tank.**

1. Align the Diesel-Burner with the Hydro-Hot, using the alignment tabs welded on the Hydro-Hot.
2. Swing the Eye Bolts around the "Ears" on the diesel burner and securely tighten, using a 10mm socket with a 10 inch long extension.

**Use extreme caution when tightening down the eye-bolt nuts, over tightening of the eye-bolt nuts can cause the aluminum blower casing to crack. (Torque Specifications = Approximately 20-40 in. lbs.)**

### Step 14: Plug in the diesel-burner's controller and mount

**Figure D15a**



**Figure D15b**

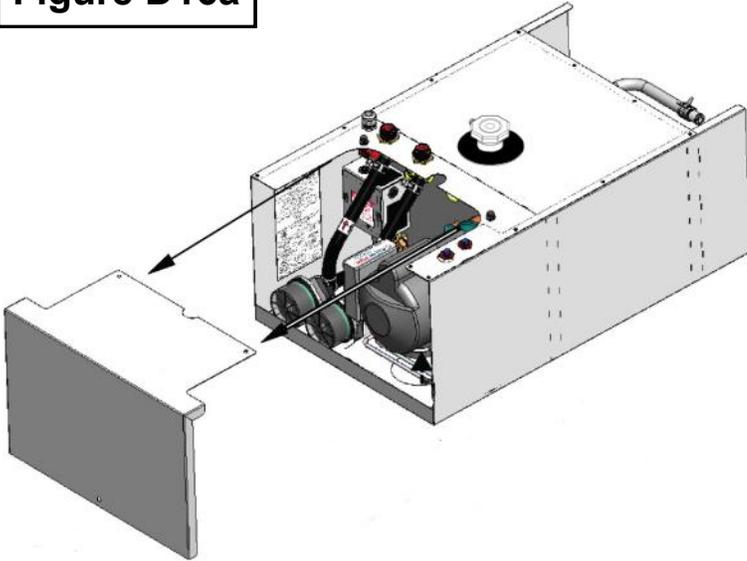


1. Locate the Diesel-Burner's Controller and connect both plugs.

**NOTE:** The Diesel Burner's Controller might have to be mounted onto the side of the diesel burner, before the plugs are inserted into the control unit, otherwise it might not be possible to mount the control unit.

### Step 15: Re-Install the Hydro-Hot Access Cover

**Figure D16a**



**Figure D16b**



1. Reinstall the Hydro-Hot's access cover .

2. Securely tighten the four screws securing the access cover in place.

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### Step 15: Test for Normal Operation

- A. Turn the Diesel-Burner switch on, and let the diesel burner run for a complete cycle, until it shuts off on it's own..
- B. After the Diesel-Burner has shut off, turn on the interior heat/run hot water, until the Diesel Burner cycles back on. When the diesel burner cycles back on, check the exhaust for signs of smoke.

## APPENDIX E: WINTERIZATION PROCESS

### WARNING!

Not winterizing the Hydro-Hot when freezing temperatures are present will result in serious damage to the Hydro-Hot's Domestic Water Heating System. Also, be sure to use an FDA approved, "GRAS" rated antifreeze for winterization.

**NOTE:** The Hydro-Hot can continue to be used for interior zone heating once the domestic water heating system has been drained and winterized.

The Hydro-Hot's Domestic Water Heating System must be completely drained of domestic water, and properly winterized any time the heater is stored where freezing temperatures may be experienced.

#### Winterizing the Domestic Water Heating System:

Please follow these instructions when winterizing the Hydro-Hot's Domestic Water Heating System:

1. Completely drain the fresh water storage tank.
2. Disconnect the domestic water demand pump's suction line from the fresh water storage tank.
3. Attach an adequate piece of hose onto the suction side of the domestic water demand pump.
4. Place the opposite end of the hose into an adequate supply of FDA-approved "GRAS" RV Antifreeze, and turn on the demand water pump.

5. Open and close all interior and exterior water faucets, one at a time, until only pure RV Antifreeze is present. Perform this procedure for both the hot and cold faucets.
6. Turn off Demand Water pump and remove the hose and re-connect the domestic water demand pump's suction line to the fresh water storage tank.

### WARNING!

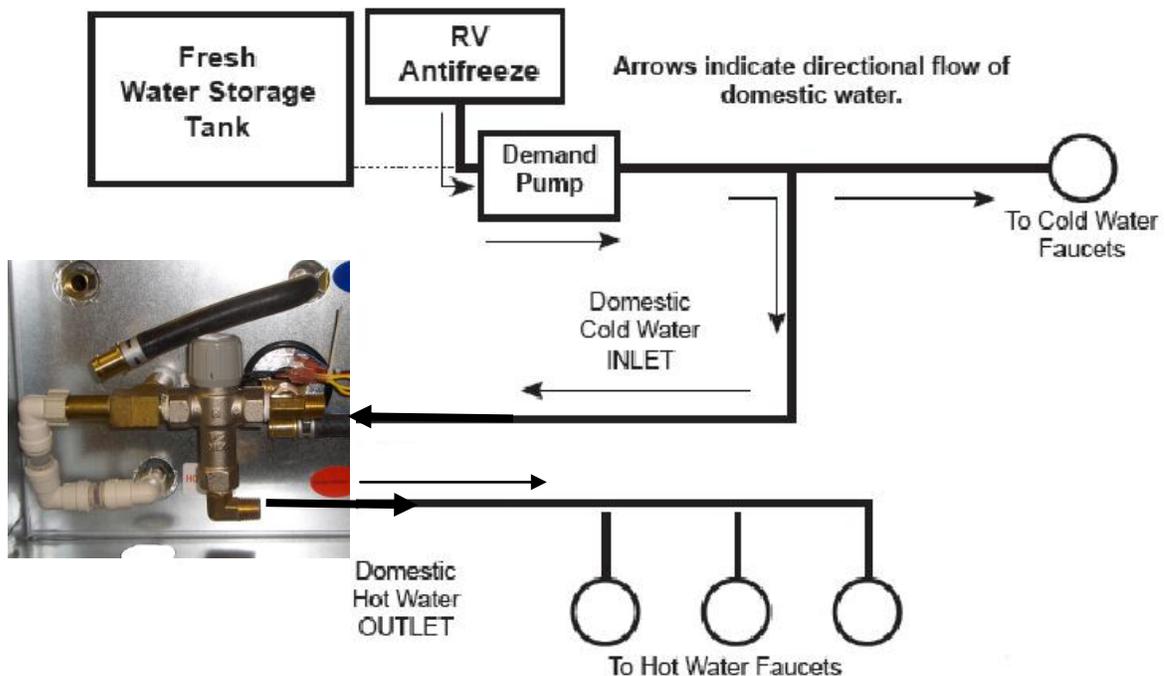
An FDA approved "GRAS" rated winterization antifreeze must be used. YOU CANNOT BLOW DOMESTIC WATER COIL OUT WITH AIR TO WINTERIZE AQUA-HOT.

#### De-Winterizing the Domestic Water Heating System:

For de-winterization, completely fill the fresh water storage tank. Turn on demand water pump and open and close all interior and exterior water faucets, one at a time, until only clear water is present/visible.

If disinfecting the potable water system after de-winterizing, be sure to follow RVIA's "Instructions for Disinfection of Potable Water Systems on Recreation Vehicles." These instructions can be obtained by contacting the Recreational Vehicle Industry Association at (703) 620-6003, visiting them online at [www.rvia.com](http://www.rvia.com), or writing to them at the following address:

**Recreation Vehicle Industry Association**  
1896 Preston White Drive  
P.O. Box 2999  
Reston, VA 20195-0999



## APPENDIX F: FILLING/DRAINING THE HYDRO-HOT WITH HEATING SOLUTION

### WARNING!

Only propylene glycol based “boiler” type antifreeze deemed “GRAS” (Generally Recognized as Safe) by the FDA shall be used in the Hydro-Hot’s hydronic heating system. Failure to use the above specified antifreeze type could result in serious injury or death.

### CAUTION:

Ensure that the overflow tube is connected from the Hydro-Hot’s expansion tank connection to the expansion tank’s bottom connection and from the expansion tank’s top connection through the overflow tube hole in the motor home’s bay floor prior to beginning this antifreeze and water heating solution fill procedure. Failure to do so could result in an antifreeze spill in the motor home’s bay.

### Filling The Hydro-Hot Heating System with Boiler Antifreeze:

In order to provide the best freeze protection, boil-over protection, anti-corrosion and rust protection, a 50/50 mixture of “GRAS” approved propylene glycol boiler antifreeze and water is required.

Reference the owners manual for additional information regarding the antifreeze and water heating solution. Be sure to use a “GRAS” Boiler-Type Propylene Glycol based antifreeze rather than an RV and Marine antifreeze or an automotive antifreeze/coolant.

If assistance is needed in selecting an appropriate antifreeze, please contact the Aqua-Hot Heating Systems Product Application Department at 1-800-685-4298.

**NOTE:** To Fill the Hydro-Hot it is recommended to use a fluid transfer pump, and pump the antifreeze into the Boiler Tank, thru the drain valve on the Hydro-Hot.

1. Locate the Hydro-Hot’s Drain Valve located at the front of the heater. Reference Figure F1.
2. Connect a piece hose to the drain valve. This piece should be long enough to transport the antifreeze and water heating solution from its source to the Hydro-Hot.
3. Connect the other end of the hose to the fluid transfer pump.
4. Open the Hydro-Hot’s Drain Valve and turn the fluid transfer pump on, and fill the Hydro-Hot with the 50/50 mixture of antifreeze and water heating solution until the **Low Tank-Level Cutoff Light**, on the Electronic Control Board is extinguished, reference Figure F2. This will take approximately four gallons.

**NOTE:** It may be necessary to loosen the radiator cap while filling the Hydro-Hot Heating system.

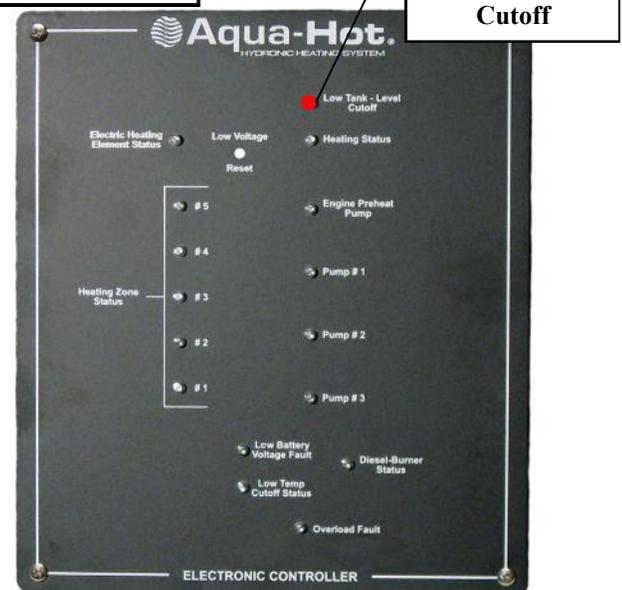
5. Turn the fluid transfer pump off, and close the drain valve.

Figure F1



Drain Valve

Figure F2



Low Tank-Level Cutoff

## APPENDIX F: FILLING/DRAINING THE HYDRO-HOT WITH HEATING SOLUTION

6. Locate the heating zone circulation pumps. Reference Figure F3.
7. Take the circulation pump's blue (negative) wire and disconnect it from the connector of the opposing wire. Be sure to purge both circulation heating loops simultaneously. Reference Figure F4.
8. Connect an alligator clip to the spade terminal on the circulation pump's blue (negative) wire and clip the opposite end of the cable to a ground source.

**NOTE:** The circulation pump will activate as soon as the pump is connected to a ground source.

9. Allow the circulation pumps to operate for the remainder of the purging process in order to purge all the air out of the heating loops and boiler tank.

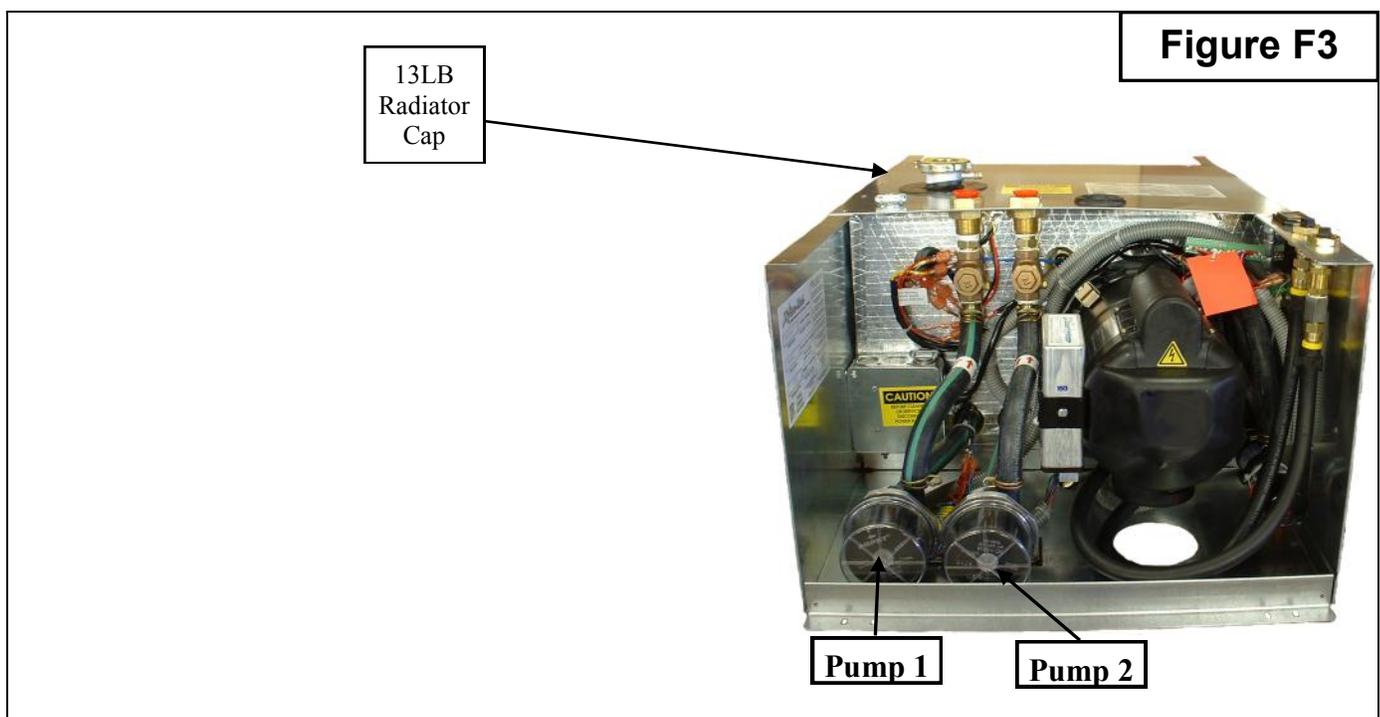
**NOTE:** Once the Purging Process has begun it will be necessary to refill the Hydro-Hot's Boiler tank with the appropriate antifreeze and water heating solution.

10. Open the drain valve and Turn the fluid transfer pump on, and fill the Hydro-Hot with the 50/50 mixture of antifreeze and water heating solution until the Low Tank-Level Cutoff Light, on the Electronic Control Board is extinguished, reference Figure F2.

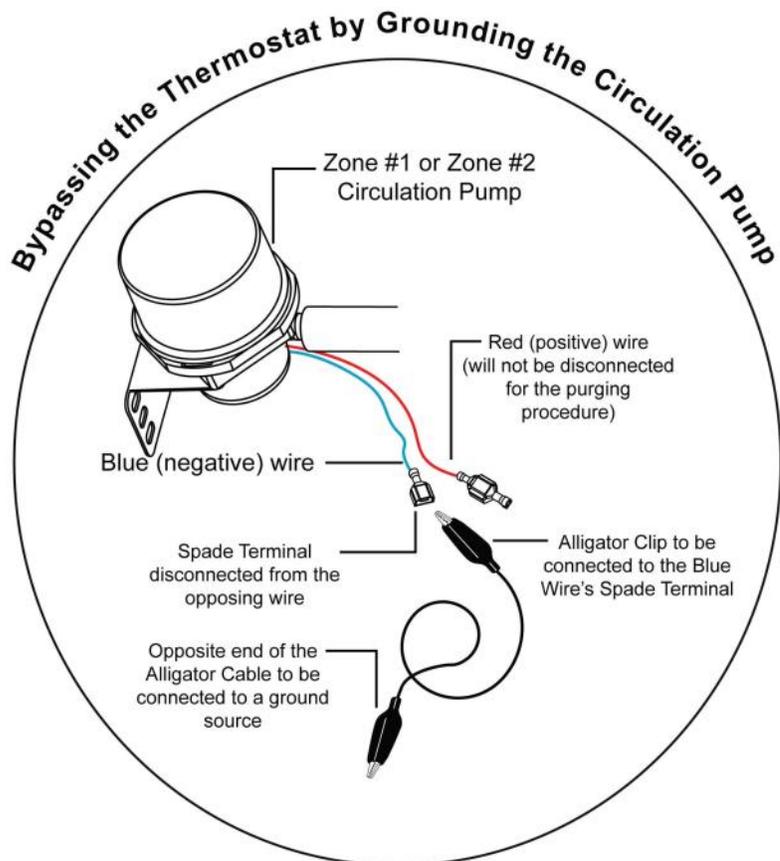
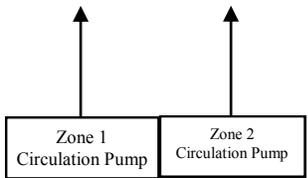
11. Turn the fluid transfer pump off, and close the drain valve.
12. Repeat steps 10 and 11 until all air has been completely bled from the entire heating system.

**NOTE:** All air is bled from the heating system when both plumbing lines are free of air and there is fluid in the expansion tank.

13. Continue to fill the Hydro-Hot Heating System until the fluid level remains at the top of the filler neck.
14. Securely tighten the radiator cap
15. Fill the Expansion Tank bottle to the cold mark.
16. Once the systems have been purged, reconnect the pump's wires as originally configured. Reference Figure F4.
17. Ensure that each circulation pump's wiring has been returned to its original configuration. Reference Figure F4.



**Figure F4**



## APPENDIX F: FILLING/DRAINING THE HYDRO-HOT WITH HEATING SOLUTION

### WARNING!

Only propylene glycol based “boiler” type antifreeze deemed “GRAS” (Generally Recognized as Safe) by the FDA shall be used in the Hydro-Hot’s Hydronic heating system. Failure to use the above specified antifreeze type could result in serious injury or death.

### CAUTION:

Ensure that the overflow tube is connected from the Hydro-Hot’s expansion tank connection to the expansion tank’s bottom connection and from the expansion tank’s top connection through the overflow tube hole in the motor home’s bay floor prior to beginning this antifreeze and water heating solution fill procedure. Failure to do so could result in an antifreeze spill in the motor home’s bay.

In order to provide the best freeze protection, boil-over protection, and anti-corrosion and rust protection, a 50/50 mixture of “GRAS” approved propylene glycol boiler antifreeze and water is recommended.

Reference Section 1: Antifreeze and Water Heating Solution for additional information regarding the antifreeze and water heating solution. Be sure to use a “GRAS” boiler-type propylene glycol based antifreeze rather than an RV and Marine antifreeze or an automotive antifreeze/coolant.

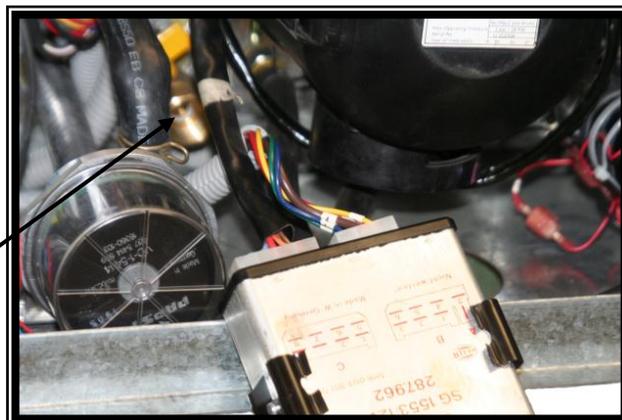
If assistance is needed in selecting an appropriate antifreeze, please contact the Aqua-Hot Heating Systems Product Application Department at 1-800-685-4298.

### TO DRAIN THE AQUA-HOT

1. Connect a piece of 1/2 inch PEX-type tubing or rubber hose to the drain valve. This piece should be long enough to transport the antifreeze and water heating solution from the Hydro-hot to a bucket.
2. Open the Hydro-Hot’s drain valve located at the front of the heater. Reference Figure F5.

**Note:** The Hydro-Hot holds approximately 5 gallons of the antifreeze and water heating solution.

**Figure F5**



Drain Valve







**HHE-200-09E**

**HHE-500-09M**

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