Sky Lounge Recall Notice (June 1, 2000)

Black Diamond Equipment, Ltd, is issuing a RECALL for a small percentage of Skylounge Portaledges shipped from Black Diamond prior to March 1, 1999. The hinges on these ledges were assembled with hollow core steel rivets. Further testing has shown that hinges using solid core steel rivets are better at withstanding severe point loading. Ledges with hollow core rivets have the potential to shear which can cause failure of the hinge. We started using solid core rivets on all ledges on March 15, 1999.

We are requesting that customers examine their Skylounge Portaledges and return those made with hollow core rivets so that we can replace them with solid core rivets. All ledges made with solid core rivets are fine. The two rivets are easily distinguishable as illustrated in the pictures below. The hollow core rivets are silver and hollow in the center. The solid core rivets are gold colored and have a pin inside the center of the rivet.

If you have a ledge built with hollow core rivets please return it to Black Diamond.