

# UNIT 314



Manufacturer:	Pierce Impel® 2008
Engine:	Cummins ISL 425 hp diesel
Transmission:	Allison EVS 3000 6 speed automatic
Pump:	Single Stage 1500 GPM pump
Water Tank:	720 gallons
Foam system:	Akron 95 GPM bypass eductor connected to Onboard 30-gallon tank Dedicated to # 1 front discharge
Generator:	On Board (top mount) 6.5 KW Honda® (gasoline)
Pre-connects:	2-150' 1 3/4" S-loads 1- 200' 1 3/4" Minuteman
Supply Line:	1200' of 5", 500' of 2 1/2"
Engine access:	Tilting of cab
Auxiliary braking:	Jake® engine brake
ABS brakes:	Rockwell
SRS Systems:	Rollover protection, front collision air bags, pretension seat belts, pillow air bags in front seats, and curtain air bags throughout.
Front Suspension:	Tak-4® independent front suspension
Emissions:	Diesel Particulate Filter (DPF)

## TARTING THE VEHICLE

The ignition system on this unit is keyless. To start the vehicle, turn the **RED** battery power switch to the on position (FIG 1). Next activate the ignition switch, then push in the starter button until the engine cranks over. All three of these controls are located above of the driver's left knee. (FIG 2)



FIG 1

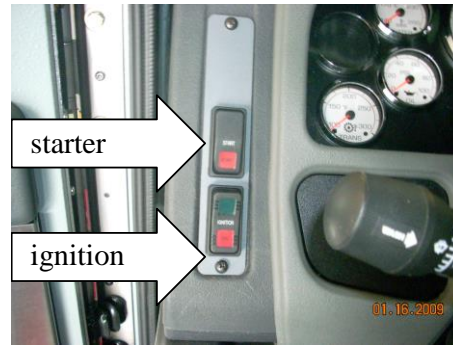


FIG 2

## PARKING BRAKE

The yellow "Maxi Brake" control is located on the dashboard above driver's right knee (below). Pulling the control out activates the parking brake. Pushing it in releases it. The parking brakes will apply and cannot be released whenever the brake system air pressure drops below 60 PSI. The parking brake is interlocked to many systems on the truck including, the pump transfer, ground lighting, and emergency lighting.





(FIG 1)

## **TRANSMISSION**

The vehicle is equipped with an Allison 6 speed automatic transmission. The transmission selector consists of an electronic control head mounted on the engine cowling by the driver's right arm. (FIG. 1) The control head consists of a display window and a series of touch pad buttons. The **R** button activates the reverse gear. The **N** button places the transmission in neutral. The **D** button places the transmission in the normal drive range. In this range, the transmission will automatically shift up and down through gears 1-5. In this range, a maximum speed of about 52-53 MPH is attainable. The on board fire pump is operated with the transmission in this (**D**) range. The **MODE** button is utilized whenever the vehicle operator wishes to access the 6<sup>th</sup> gear. This gear functions like an overdrive, and permits the vehicle to operate at speeds up to 69-72 MPH. **The mode button must not be used for pumping applications.** The mode feature can be activated at anytime. The mode feature is deactivated whenever the **MODE** button is depressed for a second time, or after the vehicle is shut off.

There are two additional touch pad buttons on the control head. The up and down buttons allow the operator to manually shift/downshift between gears. Finally, the display window on the control head displays the gear range (**R, N, 4, 5**) on the left side and, on the right side of the window, the actual gear that the transmission is in at the moment it is being viewed.

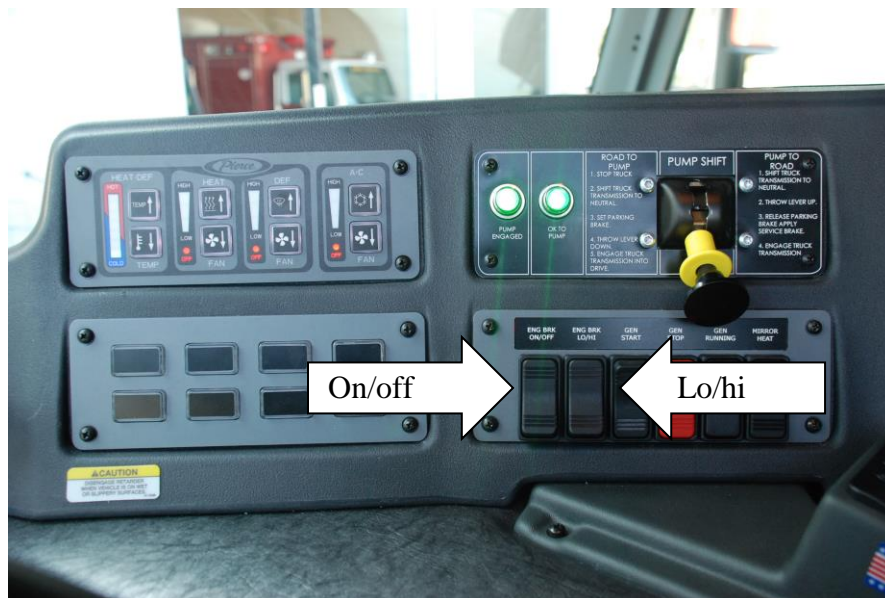
**If the engine RPM's are too high, the transmission may not shift when selected. If this occurs bring the RPM's down to an idle before shifting**

**WARNING – Make sure the transmission is in neutral (except when pumping) prior to leaving the cab. The transmission selector button must be pressed firmly. Lightly tapping the button may not neutralize the transmission. Failure to visualize the neutral indicator on the display window could result in the driver leaving the cab with the transmission in Drive**

**The maximum speed limit on any City of Sunrise Street is 45 MPH. The use of the MODE feature on local streets must bring with it the awareness that the vehicle is then capable of attaining speeds in excess of posted limits. The vehicle operator must obey all Florida State Traffic Laws, at all times, and observe safe driving practices.**

Lastly, the window will display the word **MODE** whenever the mode feature is engaged.

### **ENGINE RETARDER**



This vehicle is equipped with a Jacobs® exhaust brake engine retarder. This device greatly enhances the braking abilities of the vehicle. The retarder can be switched on/off via a rocker switch on the dashboard (shown above) to the right of the driver. The green indicator light on this switch illuminates whenever the retarder circuitry has been engaged. Whenever the vehicle is in motion, and moving at 15 MPH or greater, and the accelerator pedal is released, the retarder will engage. This immediately begins to slow the vehicle. The other rocker switch labeled lo/hi will reduce the effect of the Jake® brake by half it's efficiency.



**WARNING: All retarders can be dangerous when used on slippery roads.**

**WARNING: Whenever the retarder is off, allowances must be made for increased stopping distances.**

### **ANTI-LOCK BRAKING SYSTEM (ABS)**

This unit is equipped with a Rockwell WABCO® anti-lock braking system. This system prevents the vehicle from skidding out of control during panic braking. IFSTA's *1999 Pumping Apparatus DRIVER/OPERATOR Handbook pg. 64* describes how ABS brake systems operate:

“ These systems are effective in that they **minimize** the chance of the vehicle being put into a skid when the brakes are applied forcefully. ABS works using digital technology in an onboard computer that monitors each wheel and controls air pressure to the brakes, maintaining optimal braking ability. A sensing device located in the axle monitors the speed of each wheel. The wheel speed is converted into a digital signal that is sent to the on board computer. When the driver/operator begins to brake and the wheel begins to lock up, the sensing device sends a signal to the computer that the wheel is not turning. The computer analyzes the signal against the signals from the other wheels to determine if this particular wheel should still be turning. If it is determined that it should be turning, a signal is sent to the air modulation valve at that wheel and allowing the wheel to turn. Once the wheel turns, it is braked again. The computer makes these decisions many times a second until the vehicle is brought to a halt.”

### **OPERATION**

The brake pedal must be activated with solid continuous pressure. **Do not pump the brakes while attempting to stop the vehicle.** Should the ABS system detect impending lockup, it will activate and the driver may feel a pulsation of the brake pedal. This is normal.

## CAB SWITCHES and PUMP SHIFT



FIG 1

The three overhead switch consoles located in the driver's position are all pressure switches (FIG 1). To activate or deactivate the desired listed function simply press the switch face. These panels control various emergency lighting as well as scene lighting.



FIG 2

The additional switch panel shown in (FIG 2) is located on the engine cowling to the right of the driver. These panels contain both rocker and pressure switches. Here you will find the load manager, climate controls, Jake® brake controls, generator start/stop, and pump shift.

## WHELEN® TRAFFIC ADVISOR™



The Whelen® Traffic Advisor™ is the directional traffic light bar located on the rear of the apparatus. The electronic control head for the Traffic Advisor™ is located on the engine cowling near the right arm of the driver/operator. The rotary dial allows the driver/operator to choose a light pattern to direct traffic to the LEFT, RIGHT, SPLIT out both sides from the center, and FLASH which places the Traffic Advisor™ into an alternating wigwag pattern for additional rear warning. There is also a toggle switch for the HIGH/LOW feature

## Class One® Total System Manager™

The Pierce® IMPEL™ is equipped with a Class One® Total System Manager™. This device manages the entire 12 volt electrical system via an on board computer per NFPA 1901 requirements.

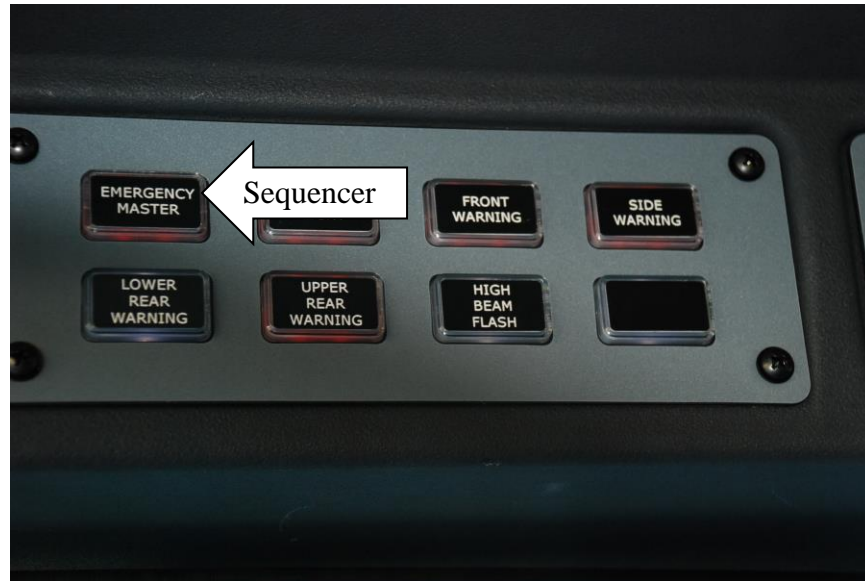


FIG 1

- All the emergency warning lights are controlled via an emergency/master sequencer (FIG 1). It takes several seconds for all the lights to activate. Similarly, it takes several seconds for the lights to sequence down. **Do not shut the vehicle off until all the lights have sequenced off.** Doing otherwise can damage the circuitry.
- Whenever the Parking Brake is on – All forward facing white lights will shut down including the wigwag headlights
- The scene lights **will not work** unless the parking brake is on
- The underbody ground lighting **will not work** unless the Parking Brake is ON.
- Compartment lights **are always on** at night whenever the parking brake is on.
- Whenever system voltage drops BELOW 11.9 volts DC, the system manager™ will automatically engage the high idle (1200 rpm) until such time that the system voltage is above 13 volts DC at which time it will automatically cut out. The parking brake must be on for high idle to work.
- There are ceiling mounted cab lights throughout (oval red and white). Pressing on the lens you wish to illuminate will turn on these lights for night responses. The white lights also activate when cab doors are opened or ajar.



## OIL and FLUID CHECKS



The daily oil checks can be accomplished by opening the fluid access door in the jump seat area. Within this door, the driver/operator will be able to check the transmission (RED) and oil (YELLOW) levels, as well as fill the appropriate fluids.

## HOOD OPERATIONS



To operate the hood mechanism reach under the Pierce grill emblem and find the operating lever. Slide the lever to “pop” the hood and then slide the lever in the opposite direction to complete the task and raise the hood the rest of the way.

## HOOD OPERATIONS continued



Once the hood is in the raised position you will find the rest of the fluid reservoirs and the cab tilt switch

## OTHER FLUID CHECKS



The windshield washer fluid reservoir is located under the hood on the driver's side.

## FLUID LEVEL CHECKS Continued



Radiator overflow reservoir is located under the hood left of center.



The power steering fluid reservoir is located on the driver's side under the hood.



## CAB TILT PROCEDURES

If further access to the engine compartment is needed, the entire cab may be tilted upwards to about 45 degrees. Cab tilting is performed by using the remote control cable/controller, which is located under the hood on the driver's side of the apparatus.



The cab tilt procedure is as follows:

- Remove all loose items from the cab; this includes air packs from their brackets.
- Open the hood and retrieve the remote actuator
- Turn the control switch to the UP position
- Locate yourself to visualize the cab tilt operation
- Raise the cab by depressing the remote actuator button
- Once the cab is up completely, raise the safety control arm into position on the driver's side (this is the red and white striped bar)

**IMPORTANT: Do not lower the cab onto the safety arm; this will cause twisting in the cab.**

- Lower the cab by first replacing the safety control arm
- Switch the control switch to the DOWN position
- Depress the remote actuator button until the cab is completely lowered. Keep the toggle switch depressed for about 1-2 seconds after the cab has settled completely to ensure the cab lock pins have been engaged
- Stow the controller properly.



## **FIRE RESEARCH CORPORATION® IN-CONTROL 400™**

The Fire Research **INControl** pressure governor and all-in-one instrument panel uses state of the art programmable microprocessor technology. Measuring only 10.5 by 5.5 inches the **INControl** offers pump discharge and pump intake displays, pump pressure or RPM control, and remote engine displays. It will maintain a steady pump discharge pressure by controlling engine speed or hold a selected engine RPM. It offers complete engine control and remote display in a single compact unit.

The **INControl** operates in one of two modes, pressure or RPM. In pressure mode the **INControl** maintains a constant pump discharge pressure. The discharge pressure is monitored and compared to the selected pressure setting, the engine RPM is varied to keep the discharge pressure at the selected setting. In RPM mode the **INControl** maintains a constant engine RPM. The pump discharge pressure is monitored and can vary but as a safety feature it will be limited to an increase of 30 PSI. If the discharge pressure increases 30 PSI the governor will automatically lower the engine RPM to prevent a high-pressure surge.



**RPM (throttle) mode** - The driver operator can switch to the RPM mode when pressure surges cause the pump to keep returning to an idle. When using the Throttle (RPM) mode, the operator can either watch the RPM display on the engine status monitor to the right of the rotating throttle or watch the master pump discharge gauge to the right of the governor while rotating the throttle control knob.

**PSI (pressure) Mode** – The pressure mode will adjust engine speed to maintain a selected pressure. Regardless of whether incoming pressure changes, or discharges are opened and shut, the pressure governor will maintain the selected PSI. When using the pressure mode the operator should watch the master pump discharge gauge.

**Mode Selection** – After engaging the pump the FRC® In- Control 400™ head will display the word **MODE**. To activate the unit, the operator pushes the pressure switch of desired mode once.

**Cavitation Protection Feature** – The pressure governor includes a cavitation protection feature, which protects the pump, plumbing, and firefighters from sudden water surges, ingestion of large amounts of air, or loss of supply pressure. **The mode selector must be in the PSI mode for this feature to be active and the pump pressure must be above 40 PSI.** If the water supply is reduced or interrupted, the governor will first attempt to increase pressure by increasing the engine speed. If the pump discharge pressure remains less than 25 PSI for more than 5 seconds, the engine speed will automatically return to an idle.

**If it is apparent that air or a temporary reduction of suction pressure has been or will be introduced into the pump, it may be desirable to temporarily switch from the PSI mode to the RPM mode to reduce the likelihood of sudden RPM changes and the automatic shutdown of lines due to the anti-cavitation feature.**

**System Shutdown-** Pushing the red idle button in for more than one second will cause the engine governor to return to an idle speed. The red idle button can and should be used to return the engine speed to idle when operating in low or no water flow conditions. **It should not be used when flowing large amounts of water as this may cause a water hammer.** When flowing large amounts of water use the rotating throttle to gradually reduce engine speed to an idle.

**Once the red idle button has been activated, the governor leaves the mode sequence. The MODE button must be depressed again and a mode type selected in order to restore control of the pump.**

The INControl also features remote engine monitoring for the following:

- Engine oil pressure
- Engine water temperature
- Transmission temperature
- Battery voltage

## OPERATING THE ON-BOARD GENERATOR

Vehicle 314 is equipped with a 6.5 KW Honda four-cycle gasoline fueled air-cooled generator. The generator is located in the well on top of the apparatus. The generator supplies the wire reel, 120-volt outlets, and various scene lights.



The generator draws its fuel supply from an integrated 4.5-gallon fuel tank (gasoline) and has a 1.2-quart oil reservoir for 10W-30 or 10W-40 oil. The generator weighs 175 lbs. without fluids.

A circuit breaker box is located in the pump panel compartment. This box regulates and controls electrical power coming from the generator. There is a separate GFI circuit breaker for each of the six power branches.



**NOTE:** Two additional 120 V duplex outlet boxes are located in the ALS compartment. These power outlets **do not** run off the generator. It is wired to the shoreline connection for on board charging of ALS equipment.

## **LADDER STORAGE**



The ladder storage for unit 314 is located in the rear lift-up compartment. There are three ladders within the compartment.

- 24 foot extension ladder
- 14 foot roof ladder with hooks
- 10 foot folding straight ladder

Care should be taken when storing and retrieving these ladders due to their location.

## **AUTOMATIC DRAIN VALVES**

Class One® automatic drains have been installed on the two front preconnects as well as the deck gun and left rear discharge pipes. These are designed to automatically drain the water in the piping whenever the line pressure drops below 30 psi. All other drains are manually operated in the pump operator's compartment.

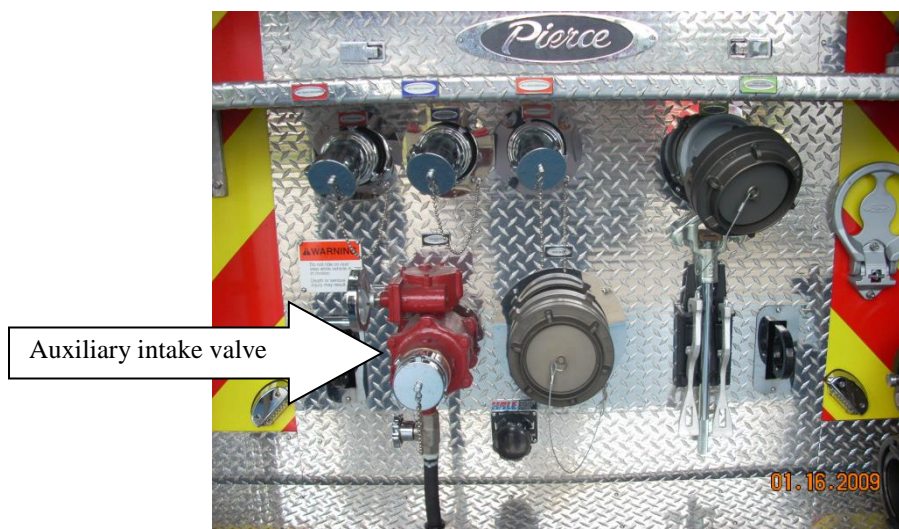




## PUMP PANEL



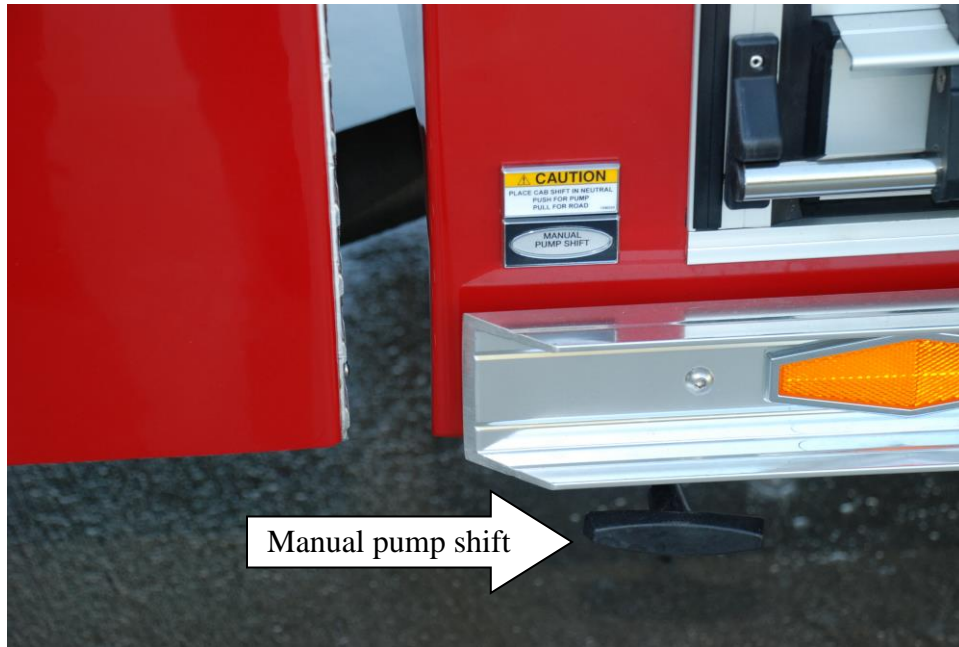
The photo above is the actual layout of all switches and controls on unit 314. This panel was designed to mimic the current pump panels as much as possible to lessen the learning curve. There are a few changes in control features; however, these controls have been explained thoroughly in this manual. The rear discharge configuration below also follows our current lay out with the exception of the manual gear operated auxiliary intake.



## **MANUAL PUMP SHIFT**

Unit 314 is equipped with a manual pump shift in the event the pneumatic transfer switch fails. The pump shift handle is located on the driver's side under the front compartment.

**NOTE: This handle is only to be utilized in the failure of the primary pump transfer shift.**



The steps in using the manual pump transfer shift are as follows:

- Set parking brake and chock wheels
- Place transmission in neutral
- Place the pneumatic transfer shift in the neutral position
- Push manual pump shift handle all the way **IN** until transfer is felt
- Place the pneumatic transfer shift into pump
- Place the transmission in drive for pumping operations
- Check pump for presence of pressure

## FOAM SYSTEM

Unit 314 is equipped with an AKRON® 95 GPM bypass eductor foam system. This system will allow for the 30 gallons of on board foam to be dispensed through the **FRONT 1-3/4" BUMPER CROSS LAY ONLY**. There is no need to set up anything. To produce foam the operator merely opens the tank to pump, open eductor valve (toggle switch fig 1), open the foam tank suction (toggle switch fig 2), and lastly sets the foam metering dial to the proper percentage and charges the front discharge line to **200 psi**.



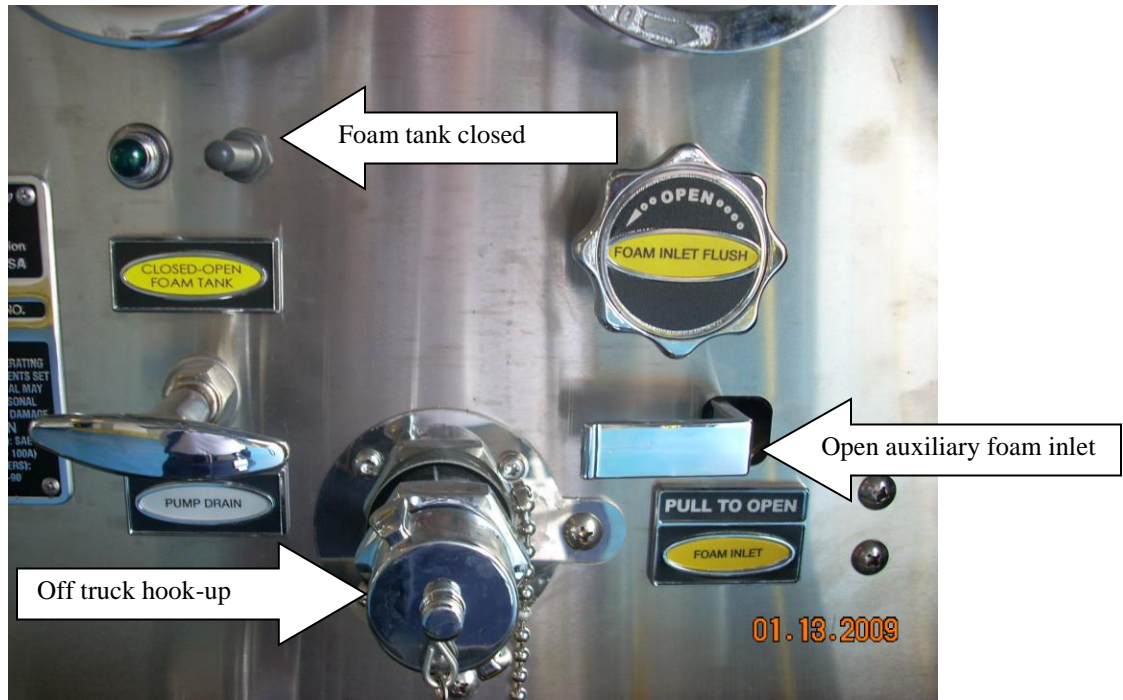
FIG 1



FIG 2



## FOAM SYSTEM Continued



Additionally, unit 314 has been equipped with an AKRON® off truck access kit. This kit allows foam to be drawn into the on board foam system from a source other than the on board tank (5 gallon jug). To use this function follow the steps described below.

- Connect the 6 foot off truck suction hose to the off truck screw on connection on the pump panel.
- Open tank to pump
- Open the eductor as described on the previous page (fig 1)
- Leave the on-board foam tank closed
- Open the auxiliary foam inlet valve
- Set the foam proportioner
- Set #1 cross lay @ 200 psi

Whenever either foam supply source is utilized, the foam system must be flushed for 3 minutes at 100 psi. To accomplish this, the foam tank valve is closed, the flush valve opened, and the eductor valve opened.

Should it ever become necessary to drain foam from the foam tank, a foam solution drain valve is located in the rear lift up compartment. Opening this valve will dump the entire **contents** of the foam tank.

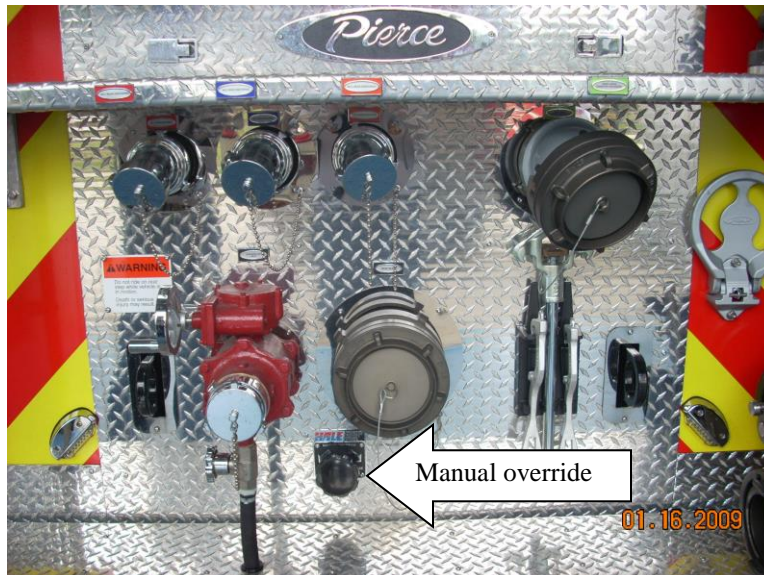
Complete operating instructions for the foam system are located on the pump panel by the metering valve. All foam control valves are color-coded yellow.



## **MASTER INTAKE RELIEF VALVE (MIV)**

Unit 314 is equipped with a Hale® Master Intake Valve™. The MIV is located on the 6” rear pump intake. The valve is positioned behind the pump panel. The MIV will dump incoming pressures in excess of 125 PSI. Moreover, by using the electric valve control switch on the upper right of the pump, the pump operator can open or close the flow of water into the pump. The MIV pump panel control switch has position indicator lights to indicate the position of the valve. An air bleeder is located just to the left of the MIV control switch. The air bleeder is used exactly like the old screw bleeder on the top of the old PIRV. The air bleeder is used to exhaust air from incoming hose lines that could cause cavitation.

Below and to the left of the 6” rear pump intake is a 2.5” black knob. This knob is the EMERGENCY MANUAL OVERRIDE in case of an electrical switch failure. To operate the override, just turn the knob right to close and left to open.



## **ELKHART® GEAR OPERATORS**

Unit 314 utilizes ELKHART® series 2900G gear actuated valve with position indicators. These valves use a 38:1 gear reduction to allow extremely easy opening and closing of valves with full water flow while providing the pump operator with precise control of the gate. Each valve has a position indicator lamp module with three lights to indicate the position of the valve. These lamps provide the following signals to the pump operator.

<b>SIGNAL</b>	<b>MEANING</b>
RED	Valve is fully closed
AMBER	Valve is half open
GREEN	Valve is fully opened

## HOSE BED COVER

Unit 314 is equipped with a one section rolling aluminum hose bed cover system. This rolling cover will support firefighters if needed, however, at no time will the truck be in motion with firefighters on top of the rolling hose bed cover. To operate simply pull up on the locking bar located on the rear. Slide the cover forward in order to gain access to load the hose back into the hose bed. **NOTE:** remove the attached drop down tarp before sliding cover open.



## AKRON® DECK MASTER™

Unit 314 is equipped with an electronically controlled deck gun (fig 1). The deck gun is a mounted unit at the top of the rear access ladder. The deck gun stows into the deck gun well when not in use.



(fig 1)

The Akron Deck Master can be controlled by one of two means. The first is the pump panel controls. This unit contains the, deploy and stow momentary switch, as well as the nozzle controls.



The second deck master control is the hand held remote found stored in the pump panel compartment on the driver operator shelf.



**NOTE:** The deck gun deploy/stow toggle is a momentary switch. To activate push once and let switch return to neutral, the deck gun will stow from any position it was left in automatically. To deploy the same method should be used.

