

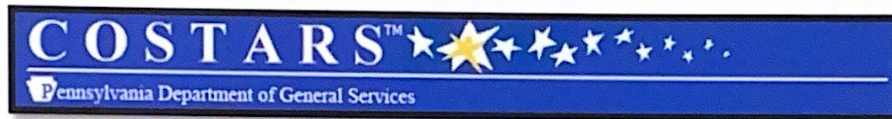
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WATSON DIESEL INC

"FIRE SAFETY AND PREVENTION"



February 5th 2021 was a day that we all fear. This is the day that Canton Township, Bradford County, PA suffered a devastating garage fire where their shop and all of its contents including all of their equipment and trucks were destroyed. Included in this loss was a new F-550 Ford truck that they had taken delivery of just 5 days prior.

Having been in the *garage / truck* business for over 40 years, I have seen this happen before. This fire was determined to have been caused by an electrical problem in the wall of the building but could have just as easily been caused by a number of other things, including electrical fires starting in a vehicle or piece of equipment. Although it may be impossible to prevent all fires, one thing that we look at from our point is how to minimize the risk presented by a fire starting in that truck or piece of equipment.



A typical master disconnect switch

Watson Diesel has always been a proponent of the installation of a battery master disconnect switch. This simple device has been around for a long time, and most larger trucks and equipment come from the factory with these switches as standard equipment. When located close to the battery box this switch isolates the batteries from all other components and wiring running from the battery. If a truck does not already have a master disconnect, one can be added to an existing system. These trucks have hundreds of feet of wiring and many relays, switches and junctions that can easily rub through or short out even without the engine running.

New trucks have multiple computers and modules that add even more potential risk. The piece of mind that you can have from this simple device is priceless. Also talk to your insurance agent as the use of these devices could save you on your shop's insurance. The next thing is to get the operator to make shutting the switch off a must do item on their post trip check list!

Another item along this line is keeping your truck or equipment clean. A build up of grease and oil on an engine can just as easily be ignited from a loose battery cable on a starter motor that is covered in oil. Just another reason to keep your equipment clean and maintained.

So, if you have any questions regarding the installation of a switch on your existing truck or need help in having one included in the specs for your new truck, give us a call at the Watson Diesel Municipal shop or stop in and see us. This is just one more way Watson Diesel is changing the way municipal business is done one truck at a time.

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**FEATURED EMPLOYEE:
 HOWARD SHEDDEN**



Howard lives in Covington with his wife Tami. Howard is a fabricator at our Municipal facility since 2019.

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