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### AHWG TSB#2-Drive Mechanism Motor Error Replacement

Product: DRV80 Gen. 1

Technical Assessment Reference: AHWG TA#2-Drive Mechanism Motor Error

Topic/Problem Replacement & Resolution: Defective Drive Mechanism and/or Stepper Motors

The following will explain the necessary parts and procedure to fully diagnose which part(s) may need replaced (i.e. Drive Mechanism and/or Stepper Motor) and also how to replace.

Below is a list of parts that are included in the replacement kits:

Drive Mechanism Kit p/n D8404				Stepper Motor Kit p/n D8410	
Α	2 Guide Rings	F	3 Thermister Seals	Α	1 Stepper Motor Seal
В	1 Seperator Seal	G	1 Drive Mech Seal	В	Various Screws
С	2 O-Rings	Н	1 Drive Mech	С	Grease
D	1 Stepper Motor Seal	ı	1 Lock Nut	D	Stepper Motor
Ε	Grease	J	Various Screws		



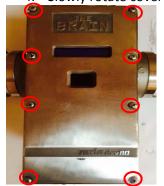
Figure 1: Drive Mechanism Kit

#### **Tools Required:**

Phillips Head Screw Driver & Socket 5/16"

### Replacement Process/Steps:

- 1. Power down the DRV80 Gen. 1 by pulling the power cord from the outlet its connected to
- 2. Isolate all water supply feeding the valve (hot, cold, mixed, & recirculation)
- 3. Remove the 8 screws holding the front cover on (hold cover in place as it is heavy) (see Figure 3)
- 4. Slowly rotate cover away and disconnect LCD display (see Figure 4)



**Figure 3: Front Cover Access** 



Figure 4: Disconnect LCD Display

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Figure 2: Stepper Motor Kit

5. Remove 4 screws holding bottom cover on & back screw holding PSU to bottom cover, disconnect battery plug from PCBA, and slide bottom cover down (see Figure 5 & 6)



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- 6. Disconnect stepper motor electrical connector from PCBA & by hand attempt to turn brass disk at bottom of motor (see Figure 7)
  - a. If turns → Stepper Motor is ok, only replace/inspect Drive Mechanism
  - b. If does not turn → Replace/inspect both Drive Mechanism & Stepper Motor





**Figure 5: Bottom Cover Access** 







**Figure 7: Stepper Motor Evaluation** 

- 7. Remove Drive Mechanism from valve body by unscrewing 6 screws holding in to valve body (see Figure 8)
  - a. Place plastic bag around Stepper Motor and remove by turning slowly and pulling down slowly
  - b. Water will drain out if not already drained from system
- 8. If on step 6; Stepper Motor is ok, remove the Drive Mechanism by unscrewing the 5/16" lock nut holding the Spool Piece on and throw lock nut away; remove Spool Piece and reuse (see Figure 9)
  - a. The Spool Piece is not a wear item and can be reused (see AHWG TA#3)
- 9. Remove the Stepper Motor from the Drive Mechanism by unscrewing 4 screws holding it (see Figure 10)

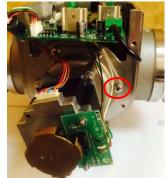


Figure 8: Drive Mech Removal



Figure 9: Drive Mech Lock Nut



**Figure 10: Stepper Motor Removal** 

- 10. Place either reused Stepper Motor (from step 6 determination) or new Stepper Motor on New Drive Mechanism reversing step 9
- 11. Place reused Spool Piece (from step 7) on and fasten with NEW lock nut to 80-90 in-lb to prevent spinning
- 12. Replace O-Rings as needed (recommended to replace once a year if valve is in hard water)
- 13. Grease Spool Piece & reassemble into valve reversing above steps 1-7

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