

REF: Production Change #1701
TRANS: A500 (42RE, 44RE)
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Chrysler re-designed the Rear (Direct) clutch assembly on the above unit in 1999. This was done to improve application of the Rear clutch and improved durability. In response to this, we have now added new Outer lip seal (PI# 13487) to our A500 kits. This seal is an internal lip-type and fits into the drum- this is a departure from the original design (PI# 13308) which was an external lip seal and is installed to the piston.

This, in conjunction with our previously added aftermarket inner lip seal (PI# 12307), create excellent clutch apply and durability. See attached illustrations from an ATSG bulletin.