



## Almagard® Vari-Purpose Lubricant (3752)

*Bruer's Contract Cutting – Dallas, Ore.*

*Track Feller-Buncher*

- *Eliminated pin and bushing failure, saving \$4,500 per year*
- *Reduced grease consumption*

### *Customer Profile*

Mike Bruer of Dallas, Oregon, owns Bruer's Contract Cutting. Mike Bruer began cutting trees by hand in February of 1980. Today, he is considered by some to be the largest track operator in the world. He currently has eight Feller-Buncher track machines in operation. He has been an LE customer since 1991.

### *Application*

Because of the nature of this machine, it experiences a tremendous amount of shock loading. The cost of one Track Feller-Buncher is approximately \$340,000 to \$400,000.

### *Challenge*

The commercial grade grease was breaking down and not protecting the pins and bushings. Prior to converting to Almagard 3752, they needed to replace pins and bushings about every three to four months. The cost of these replacements was \$1500 including labor and downtime.

### *LE Solution*

The local LE lubrication consultant recommended Almagard® Vari-Purpose Lubricant (3752). In October of 1991, Mike Bruer converted to Almagard 3752.

### *Results*

Since that time Mike Bruer has had no pin and bushing failures in this equipment. He also states that he only has to grease this equipment every eight to ten hours with Almagard 3752. With the commercial grade



grease, he had to grease the equipment every hour. Not only has Almagard 3752 reduced grease consumption, but costs for parts and labor on replacing the pin and bushings has saved an average of \$4500 per year.

*Thank you to Mike Bruer, owner, and to Steve Hays, LE lubrication consultant (pictured), for providing the information used in this report.*





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