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PPE Required: Steel-toe boots, safety glasses, hard hat, gloves.

Preparation:

- 1. Read and understand the operating manual before beginning work.
- 2. Prepare work area.
- 3. Lock out vehicle as per *Lockout Procedure* (section III-C, G-11).
- 4. Set parking brake and block wheels.
- 5. Gather all necessary equipment and tools.
- 6. Ensure good lighting.

Steps:

- 1. Clean around oil pan plug.
- 2. Drain oil into an oil pan. Avoid contact with hot oil.
- 3. Remove the filter and dispose of in an approved manner.
- 4. Replace oil plug and filter. Lubricate sealing ring with clean oil, spin new filter on until sealing ring comes into contact with base, then tighten as per manufacturers instructions.
- 5. Open hood of vehicle, prop open with vehicle hood holder, remove oil cap and insert funnel.
- 6. Get proper amount and type of oil needed and pour into funnel. Check level with dip stick.
- 7. Start engine. Vent exhaust to outdoors.
- 8. Check for leaks with engine running.
- 9. Shut engine off. Check for leaks.
- 10. Remove oil pan, un-block wheels and release brake.
- 11. Clean up any spills using commercial oil absorbent, cloth, or granules.

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- 12. Put on oil change sticker showing mileage.
- 13. Check oil level after first use and add oil if necessary.
- 14. Store used oil and filters in closed plastic containers away from heat or sparks. Label containers used oil and used filters. Keep containers in good condition.
- 15. Transport used oil and filters to the nearest used oil depot when a sufficient amount has been recovered.