Fluid for Ferguson/early MF power steering units

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Ferguson and early MF tractors used Type A automatic transmission fluid in power steering units. MF issued a service bulletin when oil companies switched from Type “A” transmission fluid to Dextron. The bulletin said not to use Dextron in Ferguson or early MF tractors since it was incompatible with the seals that were used in the power steering units of these older tractors. MF said to use MF spec. M1129A or M1127 transmission/hydraulic oil - the same oil used for the hydraulic system in the MF100 series tractors. I have replaced a lot of seals in the older tractors because Dextron had been used in the power steering system.

Any good universal transmission/hydraulic oil meeting these MF specs (M1129A or M1127) will work (such as NAPA 85-401).