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54 **Gasket joint tightening.**

57 An electric drive system applies rotational force to and threadably advances a fastener in a fastener and gasket assembly. A micro processor unit continuously compares the applied torque to a torque control limit value. When the torque control limit is reached the drive system power is reduced. After a preselected time pause the drive system applies at least one retorque pulse. When a predetermined quantity of retorque pulses have been applied, the tensioning operation is terminated.

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