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Investigation:	EQ 16-003
Prompted by:	15E-080
Date Opened:	08/12/2016
Investigator:	Kelly Schuler
Approver:	Jennifer Timian
Subject:	Wheel End may Separate from Axle

MANUFACTURER & PRODUCT INFORMATION

Manufacturer:	SAF-Holland
Products:	Axle part numbers 24790175090, 24790745090, and 24790165090
Population:	768
Problem Description:	In the affected axles, the wheel end may separate from the axle due to an out of specification material thickness on the spindle.

ACTION / SUMMARY INFORMATION

Action: An EQ investigation is opened.

Summary:

On October 1, 2015, SAF-Holland notified the agency that it is recalling certain 5-Inch Tapered Axles used in trailer applications, part numbers 24790175090, 24790745090, and 24790165090, manufactured December 13, 2011, to December 25, 2011. In the affected axles, the wheel end may separate from the axle due to an out of specification material thickness on the spindle. A wheel end that separates from the trailer axle increases the risk of a crash.

This matter was assigned recall number 15E-080.

The purpose of this EQ investigation is to obtain a more informative purchaser list from SAF-Holland and to contact the companies that purchased the affected axles, notify them of the defect, and ensure thorough safety recalls are conducted where appropriate.