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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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ROBERT SMITH
VERMEER MANUFACTURING COMPANY
1210 VERMEER ROAD EAST
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NVS-215
05V-139

Subject: SPARE TIRE SUPPORT BRACKET MOUNT

Dear MR. SMITH:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect or noncompliance information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records, as this is the information that will be made available to the public.

Makes/Models/Model Years:
VERMEER/TLR30/2003-2005

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-139

Recall Date: April 04, 2005

Components:
EQUIPMENT:MECHANICAL:CARRIER/RACK

Potential Number of Units Affected: 62

Summary:
ON CERTAIN TRAILERS, THE SPARE TIRE MOUNT MAY FAIL WHILE THE TRAILER IS BEING TOWED.

Consequence:
THIS COULD RESULT IN THE LOSS OF THE WHEEL AND FLANGE INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:
DEALERS WILL INSPECT AND REPAIR THE UNIT. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON MAY 3, 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT VERMEER AT 641-628-3141.

Notes:
CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236.

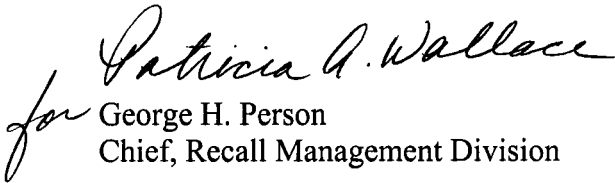
You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, the recall is expected to begin on May 3, 2005. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by July 30, 2005.

For future reference, Part 573 Defects and Noncompliance reports should be addressed to the Associate Administrator for Enforcement, Attention: Mr. George H. Person, Chief, Recall Management Division.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov or delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

 *Patricia A. Wallace*
for George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division