

CRANE CARRIER COMPANY

August 26, 2005

Patricia Wallace
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Department of Transportation
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

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Via Fax: (202) 366-7882

Dear Ms. Wallace:

On August 24, 2005, Crane Carrier Company (manufacturer) decided that a defect related to motor vehicle safety exists in certain motor vehicles, and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR, Part 573.6, Defect and Noncompliance Information Report.

Manufacturer: Crane Carrier Company
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Tulsa, OK 74158

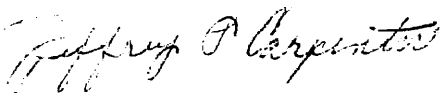
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The safety defect relates to the drag link assembly, a component of the steering linkage. A failure of the drag link would cause loss of steering control.

On August 24, 2005, Crane Carrier Company was notified by our supplier, Mertz Manufacturing, LLC, they had identified material flaws in the drag link assemblies they supply. The entire batch of raw material was quarantined and all parts made from the suspect material are being recalled.

Crane Carrier will supply NHTSA the cause, scope, remedy, and a complete list of affected vehicles as soon as the research is complete. Additionally, a draft copy of the Owner Notification Letter will be sent for review.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey Carpenter
Director of Service