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November 18, 2005

VIA FAX

Mrs. Barbara E. Cooke
Office of Defects Investigation, Recall Management Division
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: 49 CFR Part 573, *Defect and Noncompliance Reports* for
Defect Notice 05E-067, Tuthill Transport Technologies

Dear Mrs. Cooke:

On October 13, 2005, Wabash National Corporation was notified by Tuthill Transport Technologies of a potential problem with certain Reyco Granning suspensions using the 20AR style pivot connection that had been purchased by Wabash for incorporation into our product (semi-trailers).

An analysis of engineering bills of material provided information that our exposure to this issue potentially involved 105 of our trailers. The information was provided to our Warranty Manager who was in direct contact with Tuthill. At the same time I mailed a hard copy of the Defect and Noncompliance Report to your attention. I was contacted directly on October 31st by Tuthill when they had not yet received their copy. The information was e-mailed and faxed to Kate Mangner-Dimmitt at Tuthill by me on November 1st.

Based on the fact that I received a fax from Mr. George Person yesterday on this topic, I am re-sending this information to you.

In that my duties and responsibilities at Wabash National Corporation are to ensure compliance with the Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability, and Documentation (TREAD) Act, please direct any questions with respect to this report directly to my attention at (765) 771-5563.

Sincerely,

Sarah-Louise Kerney
Compliance Manager, ISO and TREAD

Attachment: *Defect and Noncompliance Report* for Defect Notice 05E-067

Safety Defect and Noncompliance Report Guide for Vehicles

PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report³

On October 13, 200⁵, Tutthill Transport Technologies [MFR] decided that (a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety)(a noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. _____) exists in the motor vehicles listed below, and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance Reports.

Date this report was prepared: October 14, 2005

Furnish the manufacturer's identification code for this recall (if applicable): 0509

1. Identify the full corporate name of the fabricating manufacturer of the vehicle being recalled. If the recalled vehicle is imported, provide the name and mailing address of the designated agent as prescribed by 49 U.S.C. §30164.

Wabash National Corporation

Identify the corporate official, by name and title, whom the agency should contact with respect to this recall.

Sarah-Louise Kerney
Compliance Manager, ISO and TREAD

Telephone Number: 765-771-5563 Fax No.: 765-771-5552

Name and Title of Person who prepared this report.

Sarah-Louise Kerney
Compliance Manager, ISO and TREAD

Signed: Sarah-Louise Kerney

³Each manufacturer must furnish a report, to the Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance, for each defect or noncompliance condition which relates to motor vehicle safety.

This guide was developed from 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports" and also outlines information currently requested. Any questions, please consult the complete Part 573 or contact Mr. Jon White at (202) 366-5227 or by FAX at (202) 366-7882.

I. Identify the Vehicle Models Involved in the Recall

2. Identify the Vehicles Involved in the Recall, for each make and model or applicable vehicle line (provide illustrations or photographs as necessary to describe the vehicle), provide:

Make(s): Unibash Model Years Involved: 2006 Model(s): _____

Production Dates: Beginning: Feb. 2005 Ending: Oct. 2005

VIN Range: Beginning: _____ Ending: see specifics in attached spreadsheet

Vehicle Type: Trailer Bodystyle: Dry Van and Reefer

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:

Have Poyco Giranning suspensions using the 20AR style
pivot connection

Make(s): _____ Model Years Involved: _____ Model(s): _____

Production Dates: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

VIN Range: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

Vehicle Type: _____ Bodystyle: _____

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:

Make(s): _____ Model Years Involved: _____ Model(s): _____

Production Dates: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

VIN Range: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

Vehicle Type: _____ Bodystyle: _____

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:

Identify the approximate percentage of the production of all the recalled models manufactured by your company between the inclusive dates of manufacture provided above, that the recalled model population represents. For example, if the recall involved Widgets equipped with certain items of equipment from January 1, 1996 through April 1, 1997, then what was the percentage of the recalled Widgets of all Widgets manufactured during that time period. _____

II. Identify the Recall Population

3. Furnish the total number of vehicles recalled potentially containing the defect or noncompliance.

Model	Model Year	Number of Vehicles Potentially Involved
Prefect	2006	55
van	2006	50

Total Number Potentially Affected by the Recall: 105

4. Furnish the approximate percentage of the total number of vehicles estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance: 100%

Identify and describe how the recall population was determined--in particular how the recalled models were selected and the basis for the beginning and final dates of manufacture of the recalled vehicles:

Analysis of engineering bills of material determined which
products and customer orders were affected by this safety
recall.

III. Describe the Defect or Noncompliance

5. Describe the defect or noncompliance. The description should address the nature and physical location of the defect or noncompliance. Illustrations should be provided as appropriate.

Refer to information from Tuthill Transport Technologies

Describe the cause(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

Refer to information from Tuthill Transport Technologies

Describe the consequence(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

Refer to information from Tuthill Transport Technologies

Identify any warning which can (a) precede or (b) occur.

Refer to information from Tuthill Transport Technologies

If the defect or noncompliance is in a component or assembly purchased from a supplier, identify the supplier by corporate name and address.

Tuthill Transport Technologies

1025 Industrial Park Drive

Mount Vernon, MO 65712

Identify the name and title of the chief executive officer or knowledgeable representative of the supplier:

Wayne Powell, Director of Marketing, Tuthill Transport Technologies

IV. Provide the Chronology in Determining the Defect/Noncompliance

If the recall is for a defect, complete item 6, otherwise item 7.

6. With respect to a defect, furnish a chronological summary (including dates) of all the principle events that were the basis for the determination of the defect. The summary should include, but not be limited to, the number of reports, accidents, injuries, fatalities, and warranty claims. *Refer to information from Tuthill Transport Technologies*

7. With respect to a noncompliance, identify and provide the test results or other data (in chronological order and including dates) on which the noncompliance was determined.

V. Identify the Remedy

8. Furnish a description of the manufacturer's remedy for the defect or noncompliance. Clearly describe the differences between the recall condition and the remedy.

Refer to information from Tuthill Transport Technologies

Clearly describe the distinguishing characteristics of the remedy component/assembly versus the recalled component/assembly.

Refer to information from Tuthill Transport Technologies

Identify and describe how and when the recall condition was corrected in production. If the production remedy was identical to the recall remedy in the field, so state. If the product was discontinued, so state.

Refer to information from Tutthill Transport Technologies

VI. Identify the Recall Schedule

Furnish a schedule or agenda (with specific dates) for notification to other manufacturers, dealers/retailers, and purchasers. Please, identify any foreseeable problems with implementing the recall.

Refer to information from Tutthill Transport Technologies

VII. Furnish Recall Communications

9. Furnish a final copy of all notices, bulletins, and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and which are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, or purchaser. This includes all communications (including both original and follow-up) concerning this recall from the time your company determines the defect or noncompliance condition on, not just the initial notification. *A DRAFT copy of the notification documents should be submitted to this office by Fax (202-366-7882) for review prior to mailing.*

Note that these documents are to be submitted separately from those provided in accordance with Part 573.8 requirements.

Information For Safety Recall

Notification Date: *October 13, 2005*

NHTSA Recall No.: *0509*

Supplier: <i>Tuthill Transport Technologies</i>	
Supplier's Part Number:	Part Description: <i>Reyco Granning suspensions using the 20AR style pivot connection</i>
Corresponding Wabash Part Number: <i>09301741 and 09301712</i>	
Applicable Dates: <i>WNC P.O 308059 (shipped to WNC 15Jun05 and 21Jun05)</i> <i>WNC P.O. 314451 (shipped to WNC 09Aug05 and 19Sep05)</i> <i>WNC P.O. 314923 (shipped to WNC 19Sep05)</i> <i>WNC P.O. 301737 (shipped to WNC 07Feb05)</i>	

Need the following customer information as it applies to the information above:

Affected Wabash VIN Numbers	PC Number	Customer (Sold-To)	Customer (Ship-To)	Ship-To Address	Customer Contact	Phone Number

Customer Orders:

. PC 24297

. PC 23764

. PC 23957

. PC 24095

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**WABASH NATIONAL CORP.
MASTER TRAILER SCHEDULE
STARTS & FINISHES**

f	schedule	sts	start	finish	pc#	Serial	SO#	Customer	unit#	of
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-	10/31/05	08		0/00/00	0/00/00	24095 02	996026	442528	V&S MIDWEST	0010 0010

PC 24095 Midwest Trailer Sales

- Change Order #1 for all 10 units on order - go to Reyco
Dockmaster II (20AR/RS-3162) suspension
- Change Order #3 for units 6-10 of 10 - go to CB400 w/0.625 axle
and EZ Pull



TUTHILL
Transport Technologies

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Mount Vernon, MO, USA 65712
Tel 417 466-2178 Fax 417 466-3964
www.tuthill.com

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

October 12, 2005

Mr. Mitchell Robbins
Manager, Warranty and Supplier Development
Wabash National Corporation
1000 Sagamore Parkway S.
Lafayette, IN 47905

Dear Mr. Robbins,

Attached is the notification of a safety recall as filed with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The recall, number 0509, covers certain Reyco Granning suspensions using the 20AR style pivot connection.

We apologize for the inconvenience caused by this action but we assure you that we are taking rapid action to remedy the issue. For almost two weeks we have had teams of our employees in the field retro-fitting suspensions. Our teams are working with trailer manufacturers such as your company, with dealers and with fleets and our plan is retro-fit all affected suspensions, whether they show any symptoms of the issue or not. We are also training and certifying local service personnel to perform this rework and repair.

We hope these actions show evidence of our commitment to quality and safety.

Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

TUTHILL TRANSPORT TECHNOLOGIES

ReycoGranning

Wayne Powell
Director of Marketing

cc: Lynn Engel, Geoff Williams

SAFETY RECALL NOTICE - TRAILER MANUFACTURERS

TO: TRAILER MANUFACTURERS (OEs)

**SUBJECT: TUTHILL TRANSPORT TECHNOLOGIES RECALL NO. 0509 -
CERTAIN MODELS 20/22AR AND RS3162 TRAILER SUSPENSIONS -
BEAM/AXLE PIVOT CONNECTION JOINT**

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

REASON FOR THIS RECALL

Tuthill Transport Technologies has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in trailer suspension models 20/22AR and RS3162, shipped from February 18, 2004 through September 22, 2005. Specifically, a mis-assembled beam/axle pivot connection joint will result in excessive play, which may be evident upon a visual inspection at any beam/axle pivot connection. (Exhibit A). Also, this will especially be apparent during braking and acceleration. A truck driver will notice wandering of the trailer caused by misalignment of one axle to the other.

INVOLVED OEs

OEs possessing trailer suspensions within the recall population have been identified from Tuthill records. You possess one or more affected trailers. OEs will be notified by Tuthill representatives. Please know this matter is **URGENT**.

WHAT WE WILL DO/SERVICE PROGRAM

Tuthill will dispatch trained personnel to disassemble and then reassemble the beam/axle pivot connection. Specifically, Tuthill will:

- Rework each unit with the new chamfered washer, a chamfered Rey-Align® Assembly and Rey-Align® washer, with the goal to retrofit, as possible, every beam/axle pivot bolt connection joint (4 per unit) by March 31, 2006; and
- Repair all parts associated with the beam/axle pivot bolt connection joint that show signs of wear by March 31, 2006.

All units will be "reworked," (Exhibit B) and those needing further work will be "repaired." (Exhibit C). To achieve this, Tuthill Transport Technologies is deploying sixteen teams equipped with parts and tools to rework or repair as required all units at:

- Each of the listed trailer manufacturers (OEs) by November 14, 2005;
- Each of the OE's fleet customers who has a concentration of units on-site by December 4, 2005.

- To rework or repair all installed units that can be contained; and
- Train the maintenance staff on how to perform the rework or repair on units that could not be serviced while our teams were present. We expect that all remaining units will be addressed by March 31, 2006.
- Each of the OE's dealers and distributors with inventory on-site by December 4, 2005:
 - To rework or repair all installed units that can be contained; and
 - Train the maintenance staff on how to perform the rework or repair on units that could not be serviced while our teams were present. We expect that all remaining units will be addressed by March 31, 2006.

Tuthill will use its own resources to rework or repair every affected trailer that is available at the OEs, dealers, distributors and fleets. For those affected trailers that are unable to be repaired by Tuthill personnel, Tuthill will provide kits free of charge and will reimburse pre-authorized labor expenses performed by OEs, dealers, distributors, fleets and service centers as follows:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Labor Allowance</u>	<u>Duration</u>
Rework Kit	Free	2012
Labor Effort for Rework Kit	\$100.00	3/31/2006
Labor Effort for Repair Kit	\$100.00	3/31/2006

If required, and after pre-approval by Tuthill, parts required to replace other suspension components damaged by the loosened pivot bolt connection joints will be provided free of charge and labor expenses required to perform this work will be reimbursed through March 31, 2006. Those who incurred costs prior to notification of this recall shall be reimbursed under Tuthill's product warranty.

COMPLETION REPORTING AND REIMBURSEMENT

Claims for work performed by you rather than Tuthill representatives must be pre-authorized. Claims for pre-authorized work may then be submitted to Tuthill Transport Technologies, Attention: Customer Service, 1205 Industrial Park Drive, Mt. Vernon, MO 65712, or by telephone at (800) 753-0025. Should parts and labor related to replacement of other suspension components be required, those claims may be submitted in the same manner. Additionally, said work must be approved by Tuthill.

If the trailer is not available for service for a known reason, please inform us by letter at the above-referenced address, or by telephone at (800) 753-0025. Also, to assist us in locating all trailers, we request that you forward contact information for subsequent owners or those in possession of trailers.

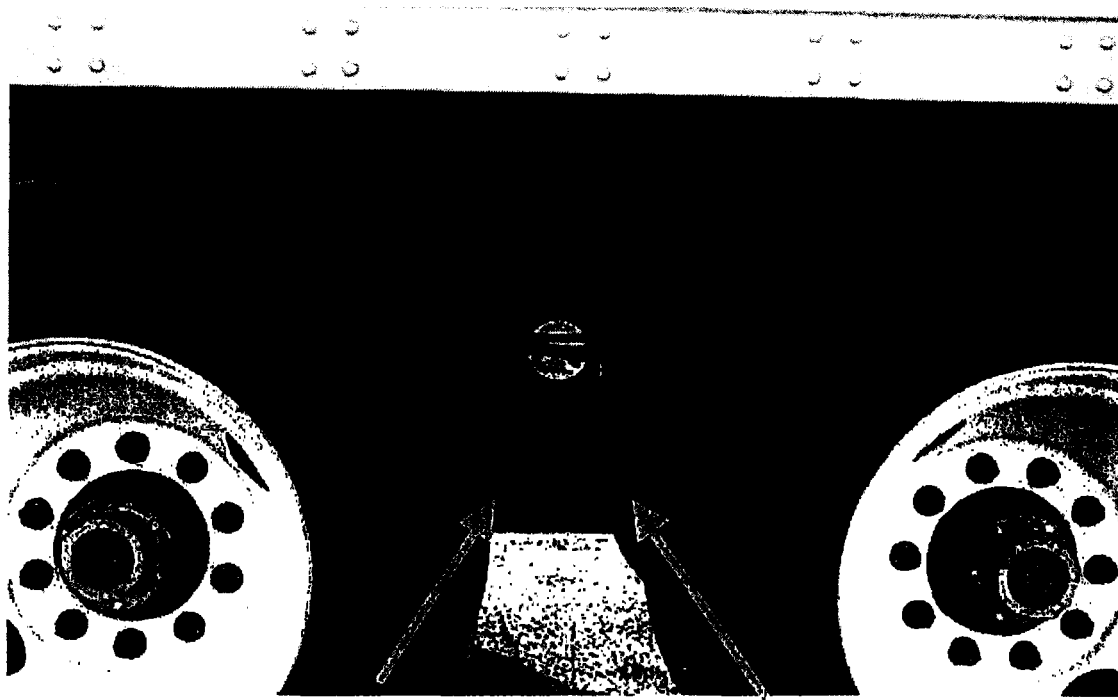
IMPORTANT:

This safety recall is being conducted pursuant to the regulations of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Each trailer suspension must be adequately repaired within a reasonable time. This notice requires you to hold and not release any trailers until the defect in each is remedied. **Please be advised that it is a violation of Federal law to release any trailer that has not been reworked or repaired in accordance with this recall. 49 C.F.R. 577.13(b).**

Thank you for your attention and your cooperation in connection with this safety recall. We are sorry for this inconvenience; however, we have taken this action in the interest of safety and continued satisfaction with our products. Should you need assistance or have any questions, please contact the Tuthill Customer Service at (800) 753-0025.

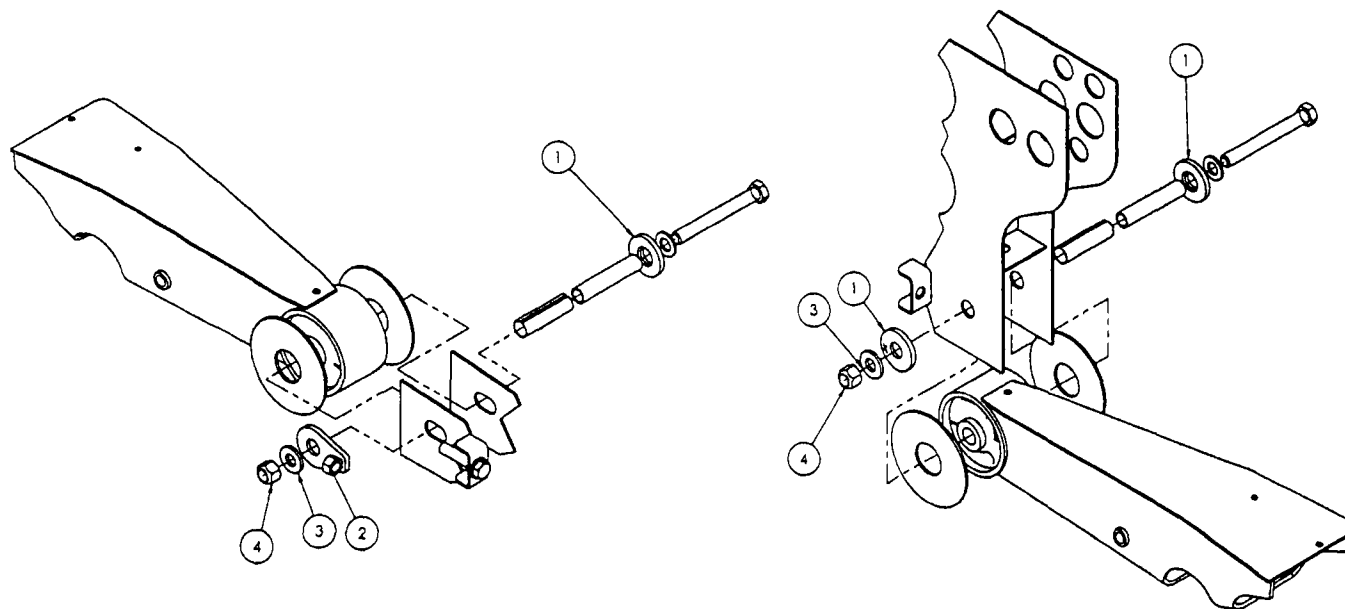
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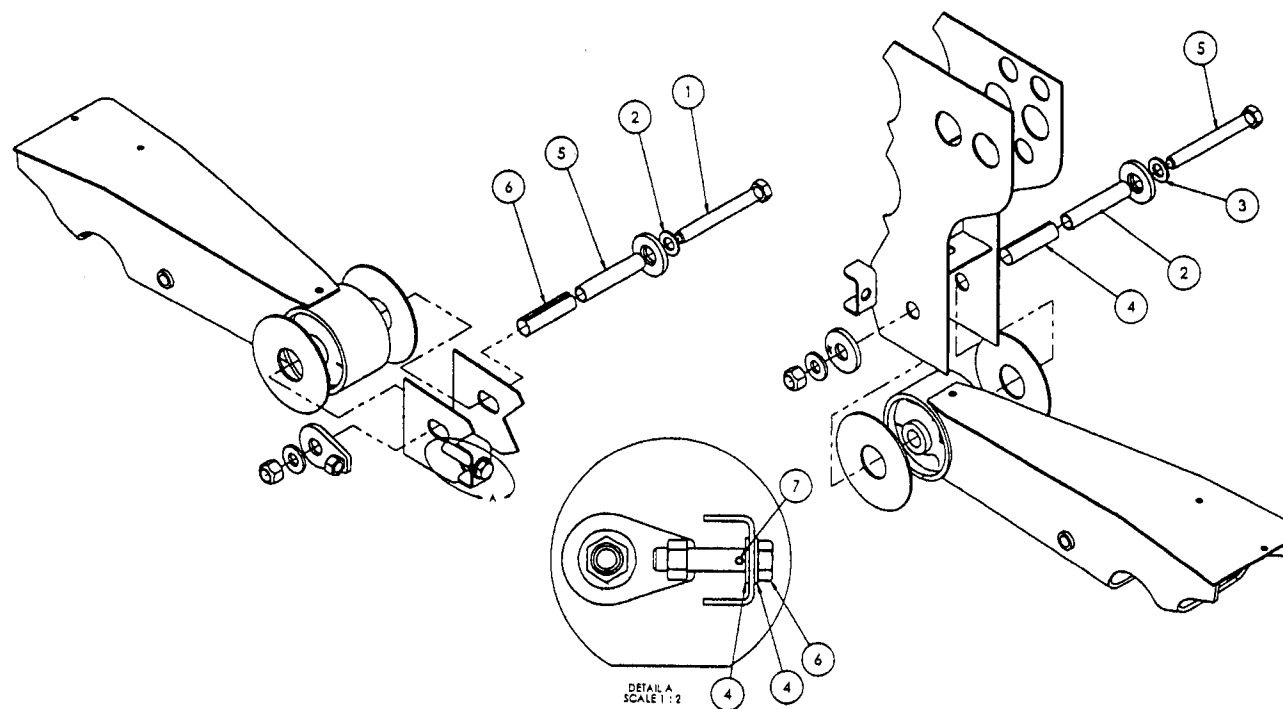
REWORK KIT # K705971					
ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY. PER PIVOT CONNECTION		QTY. PER KIT
			ADJUSTABLE	NON-ADJUSTABLE	
1	23052-02	REY-ALIGN FLANGE WASHER	1	2	6
2	23073-02	REY-ALIGN ASSEMBLY	1	0	2
3	23052-01	250 SPRING WASHER (7/8 ID)	1	1	4
4	14040-01	LOCK W - 7/8-14UNF-2B, CLASS C	1	1	4

NOTE: ONE KIT REQUIRED PER SUSPENSION



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TUTHILL Transpart Technologies		REWORK KIT PER SLIDER	
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DATE: 11/11/11		SCALE: 1:1	
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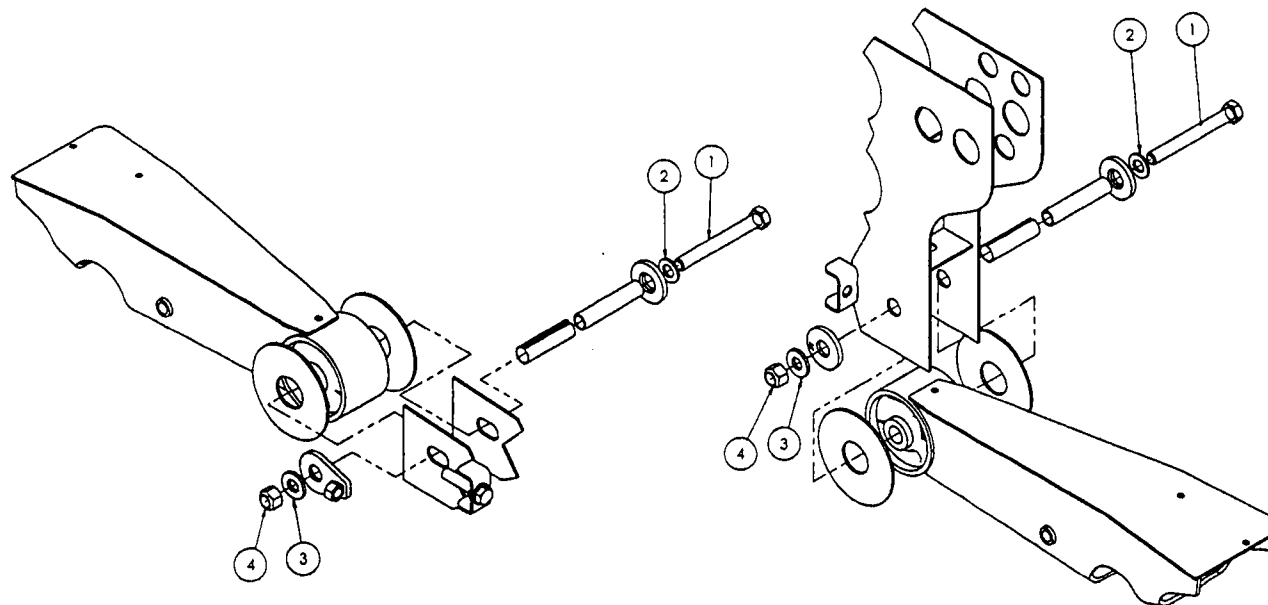
REPAIR KIT # K705970			
ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY. PER KIT
1	23674-02	PIVOT SHAFT TUBE	2
2	23432-02	SLEEVE COVER (4.375)	2
3	T-7292	WASHER (7/8)	2
4	20852-01	WASHER (3/4)	2
5	23286-02	BOLT - 7/8-14UNF-2A x 7.5 LONG, GRADE 8	2
6	24398-01	REY-ALIGN ADJUSTMENT SHAFT	1
7	24453-01	COILED SPRING PIN	1
NOTES: 1) FOR REPAIR, REWORK KIT K705971 IS ALSO REQUIRED			
2) ONE REPAIR KIT REQUIRED PER AXLE			



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TITLE: REPAIR KIT PER AXLE PART NUMBER: K705970		MODEL: 3162 DRAWING NO.:	

GREAT DANE UPDATE KIT # K705979				
ITEM NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY. PER PIVOT CONNECTION	QTY. PER KIT
1	2725-2	BC, 1/2" DIA. X 1/2" LONG, GRADE 8	1	4
2	7001	WASHER 1/2"	1	4
3	2852-2	CON. SPRING WASHER (7/8 ID)	1	4
4	4345-2	LOCK NUT 1/2" DIA. X 1/2" LONG, CLASS C	1	4

NOTE: ONE UPDATE KIT REQUIRED PER SUSPENSION



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TITLE: GREAT DANE UPDATE PER SLIDER MODEL: 3162

DATE: 07-01-01 DRAWING DATE: 07-01-01 SCALE: 1:1 IN SIZE: D

FILE: K705979 DRAWING NO. 3162



"Mangner-Dimmitt , Kate"
<KDimmitt@tuthill.com>
11/01/2005 07:51 AM

To "Sarah-Louise Kerney"
<Sarah-Louise.Kerney@wabashnational.com>
cc
bcc
Subject RE: Here's my e-mail address - thanks for all you work!!!!!!

Sarah-Louise,

Thanks for the info. My fax # is 800-753-1095.

Don't work too hard!

Kate Mangner-Dimmitt
Director of Inside Sales and Customer Service
Tuthill Transport Technologies
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kmangner-dimmitt@tuthill.com
800-753-1060

-----Original Message-----

From: Sarah-Louise Kerney [mailto:Sarah-Louise.Kerney@wabashnational.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 01, 2005 4:26 AM
To: Mangner-Dimmitt , Kate
Subject: Re: Here's my e-mail address - thanks for all you work!!!!!!

Kate,

Here's the spreadsheet showing the affected units. If you could please respond with your fax number, there is an additional sheet that I do not have electronically with 5 units on it.

I had this information ready the week of the 17th but since Mitch was out of the office because of his father-in-law's illness and subsequent death, I couldn't give it to him until the 24th. I didn't realize until yesterday that you had not received it yet. Please let me know if there's anything else you need.

Sarah-Louise Kerney
Compliance Manager, ISO and TREAD Act

"Mangner-Dimmitt , Kate"
<KDimmitt@tuthill.com>

10/31/2005 04:15 PM

To <Sarah-Louise.kerney@wabashnational.com>
cc
Subject Here's my e-mail address - thanks for all you work!!!!!!

Kate Mangner-Dimmitt
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