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Subject:

**New Safety Recall
SC0310, CV713 Power Steering Hose**

Attention:

Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20590

Submitted via Email to Patricia Wallace.

The following information is submitted in accordance with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 573.6 as it applies to a defect relating to motor vehicle safety.

573.6(c)(1)

Mack Trucks, Inc.
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Allentown, PA 18105-5000

573.6(c)(2)

Certain Mack CV713 model vehicles manufactured from September 1, 2005 through March 1, 2006.

The selection of vehicles was based on specific vehicle configurations that would have used the hose.

Model Year: 2006, 2007

573.6(c)(3)

Three Hundred and Nine (309) vehicles are affected by the recall.

Note: Two hundred eighty-nine (289) are domiciled in the US.

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The percentage of the vehicles expected to contain the defect is 100%.

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On certain Mack CV713 model vehicles, manufacturing installed an air system hose in place of the required high-pressure power steering hose between the main and slave steering gears. The air hose has a pressure rating well below that of the powering steering hose and therefore may be subject to rupture, which can result in loss of power assist.

573.6 (c)(6)

Chronology of principle events that were the basis for the determination:

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| 3/1/06 | Macungie Quality Department notified Product Reliability informing them of the issue. |
| 3/2/06 | Product Reliability received a complaint from a dealer sighting hose failures on new CV chassis with dual steering gears. Product Reliability opens an investigation. |
| 3/6/06 | Stop Delivery issued. Containment activities started. |
| 4/10/06 | Mack Trucks decided that the condition described in this notification constitutes a defect and that such defect is safety related. |
| 4/11/06 | NHTSA notified that Mack Trucks would initiate a voluntary safety recall. |

Note: Warranty Claim information. There are six warranty claims associated with this defect and one customer complaint.

573.6(c)(7)

Not applicable

573.6(c)(8)

The repair will consist of installing the correct power steering hose.

Reimbursement for cost incurred by the owner for “prenotification remedies” will be addressed on a case-by-case basis according to the “General Plan for Reimbursement of Pre-notification Remedies” which was published December 8th, 2004.

A Safety Recall Alert will be released to dealers on or before April 12, 2006, which informs the dealer of the recall. Owner letters are tentatively scheduled to be mailed on April 28, 2006.

573.6(c)(9)

A representative copy of all notices and bulletins pertaining to the recall will be submitted to NHTSA not later than five days after they are released.



573.6(c)(10)

An advance copy of the owner's letter will be submitted to NHTSA for review and approval prior to release to the owners.

573.6(c)(11)

The number, which has been assigned to the recall by Mack Trucks, Inc., is **SC0310**.

Mack Trucks, Inc. will initiate a voluntary owner notification, and recall the 309 vehicles.

If there are any questions pertaining to this information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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