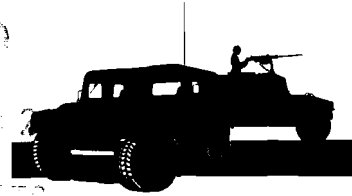


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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR



Dear Mr. Daniel C. Smith
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh St. S. W., Room 5321, MC:NVS – 200
Washington, D.C. 20590

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Dear Mr. Smith:

In accordance with the provisions of the National Traffic and Safety Act of 1966 and 49 CFR Part 573, Defect and Non-Compliance Reports, AM General hereby submits Defect Information Report, AMG – R0601, involving (25), 2006 Model Year HUMMER® H1 vehicles built between April 22, 2005 and May 26, 2005.

AM General has become aware of a potential steering - gear - to - frame attachment hardware misbuild condition. This condition may result in steering gear loosening and, separation from the frame. Complete loss of vehicle steering would occur in the event of gear separation from the frame. We are not aware of any reports alleging property damage or injury as a result of this condition.

It is AM General's intention to recall all involved vehicles for inspection of the attachment hardware. If the attachment hardware is incorrect, both the steering gear and hardware will be replaced. Draft copies of the Owner and Dealer Notification Letters, as well as the Dealer Service Instructions are enclosed for NHTSA approval prior to contacting owners. It is expected that the recall campaign will begin immediately after NHTSA approval.

If you have any questions on the foregoing, please contact me at 734-523-8134.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey T. Dowell". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Jeffrey T. Dowell
Director, Product Assurance



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Description of program for remedying the defect: (Continued – Page 2)

It is AM General's intention to recall all involved vehicles and inspect the steering gear attachment hardware. If an attachment hardware misbuild condition is found, the hardware will be replaced with new hardware, and the steering gear will be replaced. It is expected that the recall campaign will begin immediately after NHTSA approval.

All owners will be contacted, informed of the subject condition, and asked to return their vehicles to their HUMMER Dealer for completion of this recall service. Any required replacement parts are now available within the AM General system. It is expected that owner notification will begin immediately after NHTSA approval.

Copies of Notices, bulletins and letters sent to Dealers and Owners:

A draft copy of the Owner and Dealer Notification Letters as well as the Dealer Service Instructions are enclosed for your review.

AM General Corporation

DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT: AMG-R0601

Submission Date: September 26, 2006

Manufacturer's Name: AM General LLC

Identifying Classification of vehicles potentially affected:

<u>Model</u>	<u>Model Year</u>	<u>Inclusive Dates of Manufacture</u>	<u>Volume</u>
HUMMER H1	2006	4-22-05 through 5-26-05	25

Description of Defect:

Some HUMMER H1 vehicles may have steering gears installed using the wrong combination of washers and spacers. This condition could result in steering gear loosening and, possible separation from the vehicle's frame. Complete loss of vehicle steering would occur in the event of gear separation from the frame.

Events which were the basis for determining the existence of a defect:

AM General initially became aware of the subject condition through a field service report. Subsequent review and investigation confirmed the misbuild condition.

Vehicles involved which may contain the defect:

2006 Model Year HUMMER H1 vehicles with VIN 137PH84306E220571 through 137PH84336E221486.

Basis for determination of Scope of Involved Vehicles:

It was determined that involved vehicles had been part of an assembly plant off-line rework operation that required the steering gear to be removed and refitted to the vehicle.

Submission Date: September 26, 2006

Manufacturer's Name: AM General LLC

DEALER NOTIFICATION LETTER
SAFETY RECALL AMG R0601
STEERING GEAR ATTACHMENT

September 2006

Dear HUMMER Dealer:

Enclosed herewith you will find information about Safety Recall AMG R0601, Steering Gear Attachment Hardware. Please review this material carefully. Owners have been instructed to contact you to arrange for an appointment.

Twenty five 2006 model year HUMMER ® H1 vehicles built between April 22, 2005 and May 26, 2005 may have been assembled with incorrect steering gear attaching hardware. This condition could result in steering gear loosening and, possible separation from the vehicle's frame. Complete loss of vehicle steering would occur in the event of gear separation from the frame.

To ensure minimum customer confusion on this matter, your cooperation is requested. **PLEASE DO NOT** make unsolicited contact with Owners informing them of this campaign. All the vehicles involved with this condition have been identified and owners are being individually contacted to bring their vehicles in for inspection and repair if necessary.

If you have any questions regarding this request or the enclosed material, please contact our Warranty Department at 1-800-638-8303.

Customer Satisfaction Department
AM General LLC

Enclosures.

**CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION LETTER
SAFETY RECALL AMB R0601
STEERING GEAR ATTACHMENT**

September 2006

Dear HUMMER Owner:

This notice is being sent to you in accordance with requirements of the National Highway Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. AM General has determined that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in 2006 model year HUMMER H1 vehicles built between April 22, 2005 and May 26, 2005.

The problem is ... Vehicles were assembled with an incorrect combination of steering-gear-to-frame attachment hardware. This condition may result in steering gear loosening and, possible separation from the frame. If this happens, there will be a complete loss of vehicle steering.

What your HUMMER Dealer will do ... Your dealer will inspect, and correct if necessary, your vehicle for the proper steering gear hardware assembly. This procedure will be performed at **NO COST** to you.

What you must do ... Contact your HUMMER Dealer immediately to schedule an appointment for this important service. **REFERENCE NUMBER AMG R0601.**

If you need help ... If you have trouble getting your vehicle inspected, please call AM General at 1-800-638-8303. If you believe that AM General or your authorized HUMMER Dealer has failed or is unable to remedy the problem without charge or within reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to: The Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Washington, D.C. 20590, or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236.

We are sorry for any inconvenience to you, but your safety and continued satisfaction with your HUMMER are important to us. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Customer Satisfaction Department



PRODUCT RECALL BULLETIN

Subject: PRODUCT RECALL AMG R0601 STEERING GEAR ATTACHMENT

Models Affected:	MODEL YEAR 2006 ALPHA VEHICLES WITH VIN		
	137PH84306E220571	137PH90346E221024	137PH84316E221034
	137PH90326E221054	137PH84386E221063	137PH84376E221104
	137PH90316E221112	137PH84356E221120	137PH84346E221156
	137PH90386E221205	137PH90326E221233	137PH843X6E221243
	137PH84326E221253	137PH90326E221264	137PH903X6E221304
	137PH90326E221314	137PH90356E221324	137PH84326E221334
	137PH84356E221344	137PH90356E221355	137PH84376E221376
	137PH84316E221406	137PH903X6E221416	137PH84376E221426
	137PH90386E221446		

SERVICE INFORMATION

Twenty five 2006 model year HUMMER H1 vehicles built between April 22, 2005 and May 26, 2005 may have been assembled with incorrect steering gear attachment hardware. This condition could result in steering gear loosening and possible separation from the vehicle's frame. Complete loss of steering would occur in the event of separation from the frame.

OWNER NOTIFICATION

Owners of affected HUMMERS will be contacted and requested to make arrangements with a local dealer for campaign service. Campaign service inspections will be performed at no cost to the owner. A copy of the Owner's Notification Letter is included with this bulletin.

Important: Some involved vehicles may be in Dealer Inventory (new or used), or in use as demonstrator models. If so, these vehicles must have the campaign service completed before retail delivery.

SERVICE REPAIR AND REQUIRED COMPONENTS

Service repair will require inspection of the steering gear attachment hardware and a possible replacement of the steering gear and hardware.

PARTS

Replacement Steering Gear Kits can be ordered through the DCS under PN 5746278.

WARRANTY

The provisions of the normal vehicle warranty policy apply.

TIME

The time required to inspect the steering gear hardware configuration and check the torque is 0.6 hour. Labor operation 060801, warranty type J, complaint code R0601, malfunction code 86.

The time required to inspect the hardware configuration, change the steering gear and hardware and apply the proper torque is 2.5 hour. Labor operation 060802, warranty type J, complaint code R0601, malfunction code 86.

PROCEDURE

Inspection And Torque

1. Perform a visual inspection of the hardware attaching the steering gear to the frame. The **upper bolt** requires a spacer and a split lock washer (See Figure 1). Both **lower bolts** use only a flat washer and a split lock washer.
2. If the spacer and washers are in the correct positions, apply 175 lb-ft. (237 N·m) of torque to all three bolts.
3. If any of the bolts rotate before the torque value is attained, remove all the bolts and clean all thread locking compound from the gear and the bolts.
4. Apply Loctite 242, or equivalent medium strength thread locker to the threads, place the spacer and washers on the bolts in the positions shown below and torque the bolts to 175 lb-ft. (237 N·m).

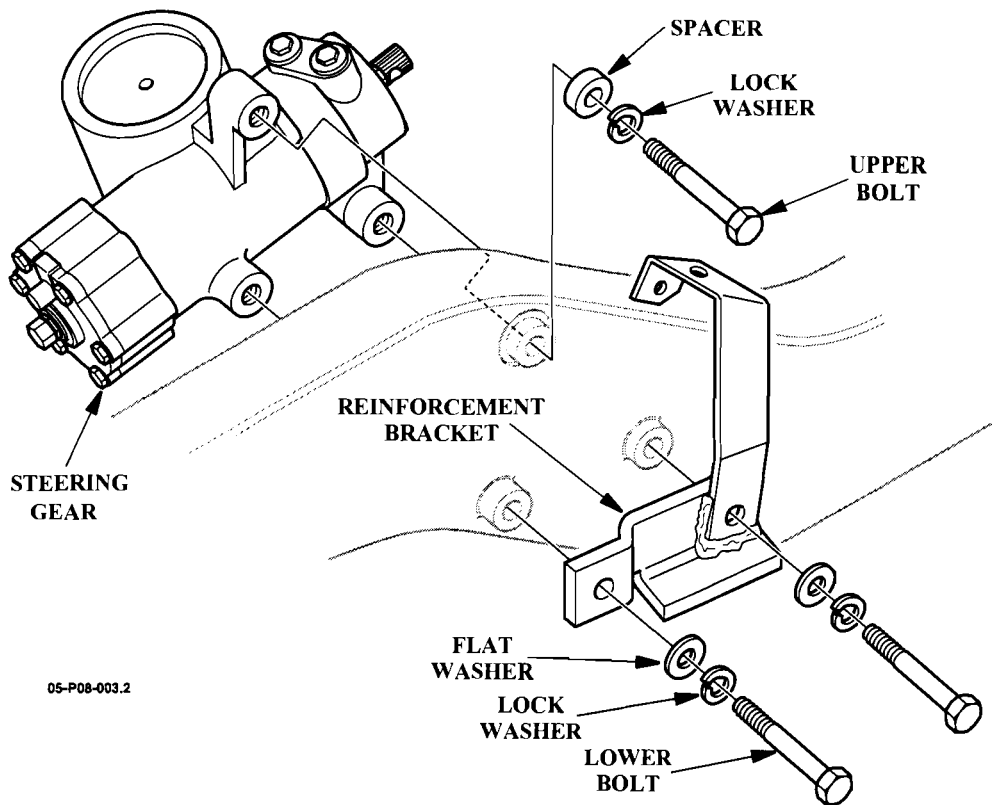


Figure 1: Steering Gear Attachment Hardware

Steering Gear And Hardware Replacement

1. If the spacer and washers are not in the correct positions, replace the steering gear and hardware (See Service Manual Section 8). Torque the bolts to 175 lb-ft (237 N·m).