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A **DOVER** INDUSTRIES COMPANY

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VIA FedEx

Re: **IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL**
California Pull Trailer Dolly Frame (NHTSA Campaign Number 06V-045)

IMPORTANT – REQUIRES IMMEDIATE ACTION
THIS FIELD REPAIR SHOULD BE PERFORMED IMMEDIATELY TO AVOID
POSSIBLE PROPERTY DAMAGE AND/OR PERSONAL INJURY

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

Heil Trailer International has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in its California Pull Trailer, equipped with air ride suspensions. The integrity of the weld sequencing could result in cracking at the rear of the suspension frame. Such a crack, if left unattended could progress to an abrupt failure in the dolly frame, which could cause a crash without prior warning.

Heil is committed to a Continuous Improvement philosophy with regard for potential safety issues within the transportation industry and to customer satisfaction. Because of the potential catastrophic nature of a failure, we urge you to make arrangements for this upgrade immediately. A procedure is currently in place to expedite this upgrade, and arrangements may be made by contacting:

Heil Trailer International's Technical Service Managers at (800) 400-6913:

David Anderson, ext. 353 or by email at danderson@heiltrailer.com
or
Mike Johnson, ext. 574 or by email at mjohnson@heiltrailer.com

This welding upgrade involves the addition of a steel bar to reinforce the frame structure. The estimated repair time is approximately 6 ½ hours.

Federal regulations require that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

If you had this repair performed before you received this letter, you may be eligible to receive reimbursement for the cost of obtaining a pre-notification remedy of the problem associated with this recall. Please contact one of the Technical Service Managers listed above to file a claim.

In order to facilitate this process, you may choose a Heil-approved repair facility which is convenient for you. There will be no cost to you for this repair/upgrade.

After contacting Heil Trailer International, if you are still not able to have the safety defect remedied within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20590, or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236; (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Beth A. Bennett". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Beth A. Bennett
Legal and Risk Management Administration Coordinator