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07V-033

Subject: FIFTH WHEEL KING PIN AIR RELEASE VALVE & PLUMBING

Dear MR. BROWNSTEIN:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

PETERBILT/379/2006
PETERBILT/387/2006

NHTSA Campaign Number: 07V-033

Mfg's Report Date: January 30, 2007

Components: TRAILER HITCHES: FIFTH WHEEL ASSEMBLY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 164

Summary:

ON CERTAIN TRUCKS, THE FIFTH WHEEL KING PIN RELEASE AIR VALVE INTERNAL SPOOL WAS INSTALLED BACKWARDS. THE AIR OPTION OF THE KING PIN RELEASE SYSTEM WOULD BE INOPERABLE. TO CORRECT THIS SITUATION IN PRODUCTION, THE VEHICLE'S AIR LINES WERE MISTAKENLY REVERSED RATHER THAN REPLACING THE VALVE.

Consequence:

THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT THE KING PIN CAN RELEASE WITHOUT THE DRIVER'S KNOWLEDGE. WHEN THIS OCCURS, THE DRIVER COULD DRIVE AWAY AND THE TRAILER COULD BECOME DISENGAGED.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE FUNCTIONALITY OF THE KING PIN RELEASE SYSTEM AND SUSPECT VALVE. IF ANY VEHICLES HAVE A NON-CONFORMING VALVE OR INCORRECT PLUMBING, IT WILL BE REPLACED AND RE-PLUMBED. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNER MAY CONTACT PETERBILT AT 940-591-4201.

Notes:

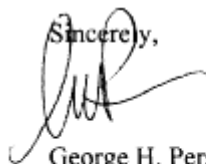
PETERBILT RECALL NO. 107A. CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please provide an estimated dealer notification date as well as an owner notification date (month/day/year).

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at patricia.wallace@dot.gov or delia.lopez@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,


George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement