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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215dgl
07V-053

Subject: SUSPENSION/CHALMERS

Dear MR. LAFON:

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:

MACK/CL/2007
MACK/CT/2007
MACK/CTP/2007
MACK/CV/2007
MACK/GU/2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 07V-053

Mfg's Report Date: February 14, 2007

Components: SUSPENSION

Potential Number of Units Affected: 86

Summary:

ON CERTAIN TRUCKS EQUIPPED WITH A 46K POUND CHALMERS REAR SUSPENSION, THE ADJUSTABLE TORQUE RODS USED ON THE SUSPENSION MAY BE BRITTLE.

Consequence:

THIS MAY LEAD TO A PREMATURE FAILURE OF THE ROD, WHICH MAY RESULT IN A LOSS OF CONTROL OF THE VEHICLE INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT AND REPAIR THE RODS AS REQUIRED FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT MARCH 14, 2007. OWNERS MAY CONTACT MACK TRUCKS AT 1-800-528-6586.

Notes:

MACK TRUCKS RECALL NO. SC0318. 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).

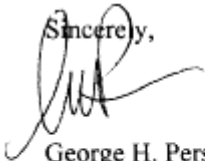
Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

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).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin on or about March 14, 2007. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before April 30, 2007.

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