



WILSON TRAILER COMPANY

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DEFECTS INVESTIGATION
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September 24, 2007

Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Transportation and Safety Administration
400 B 7th Street
Washington, DC 20590

RE: Wilson Trailer Company Number 000058
Notice of Possible Defect

Dear Administrator:

REPORT TO NHTSA

1. Manufacturer's Name: Wilson Trailer Company
2. Vehicle Identification: Year Models 2005 thru 2008 Wilson Grain Trailers manufactured from 8-1-04 to 5-1-07
3. Total Number of Vehicles Subject to Recall: 479
4. Percentage of Trailer Estimated to be Defective: 9 trailers 2%
5. Description of Defect: The defect concerns the fasteners in the rear mounting angles of the aluminum king pin runner attachment to the I-beam. If the fasteners fail, this could compromise the strength of the king pin assembly and increase the risk of a crash.
6. History of Events: 9 trailers manufactured within said time frame have experienced fasteners failing, causing the 5th wheel to crack. A determination of the cause reveals that the mounting angles need additional fasteners.
7. Description of Remedy: Check the fasteners in the rear mounting angles of the aluminum king pin runner to the I-beam. Add additional fasteners per instructions.

Customers will be notified of the safety recall by first class mail on or before October 19th, 2007 if we receive the NHTSA ID# asap.

8. Copies of Notices, etc: See enclosed Safety Recall Notice with enclosure and dealer letter.
9. Manufacturer's campaign number #223D

Respectfully Submitted:

Todd Heitman
Technical Service & Claims Mgr
Enclosures: Safety recall notice to owner.

Dealer letter
Repair instructions

E-mail: sales@wilsontrailer.com • Web Site: <http://www.wilsontrailer.com>

Date

Dealer
Address
Address

RE: Wilson Trailer Campaign Number _____
Notice of Possible Defect

Dear Sir:

Wilson Trailer Company has decided that a possible defect exists in certain 2005 to 2008 Wilson grain trailers manufactured from August 1, 2004 to May 1, 2007. The defect concerns the fasteners in the rear mounting angles of the aluminum king pin runner attachment to the I-beam. If the fasteners fail, this could compromise the strength of the king pin assembly and increase the risk of a crash.

Your company has sold some of these trailers. Enclosed is a listing of your customers and serial numbers for the affected trailers. Wilson Trailer Company has notified these customers per the enclosed Safety Recall Notice. They have been given the option to contact you if they have questions. If contacted, please answer these questions.

Review the list of customers to confirm that they still own the serial number trailer on your list. If any of your customers have sold or traded the affected trailers, please advise Linda Kollbaum of the new owner and address if available.

Wilson Trailer Company has determined that it is necessary to inspect the area of concern for loose or missing fasteners. If so, a repair will be necessary before any further remedial measure is performed. Finally, you will need to install the additional fasteners per instructions. All necessary parts will be shipped to you, and the inspection, repair, and installation will be at no cost to the customer. The total time to perform these tasks is estimated to be 1 hour. Repair invoices will be sent to my attention at Wilson Trailer Company. The description on the invoice should read “ **Add fasteners to king pin runner mounting angles**”

In the event you have any of the affected trailers on your lot, you will need to inspect and take action outlined above. I will need to be notified of any such trailers on your lot.

Sincerely,

Todd Heitman
Technical Service & Claims Mgr.

Enclosures: Customer Notice
Customer List with serial numbers
Drawing with repair instructions

Date

Retail Customer's Name

Address

Address

RE: Notice of Possible Defect

Trailer Serial # _____

NHTSA I.D. # _____

Dear Sir:

SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Wilson Trailer Company has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2005, 2006, 2007, and 2008 Wilson grain trailers manufactured from August 2004 to May 2007. Affected trailers are built with an aluminum king pin configuration..

The defect concerns the fasteners in the rear mounting angles of the aluminum king pin runner attachment to the I-beam. If the fasteners fail, this could compromise the strength of the king pin assembly and increase the risk of a crash.

To remedy this defect, please call Todd Heitman or Linda Kollbaum at Wilson Trailer Company, 1-800-798-2002. They will direct you to the nearest repair facility to you so they can inspect the area of concern, make necessary repairs and install fasteners in the mounting angles. The inspection, repair, and installation will be provided to you at no cost. The total time to perform these tasks should take no longer than 1 hour.

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. For more information, contact Wilson Trailer Company, Todd Heitman, ph # 1-800-798-2002.

If you do not presently own the above listed trailer, please contact Linda Kollbaum at Wilson Trailer Company, 1-800-798-2002.

We regret any inconvenience that this action may cause you. However, we are concerned about your safety. If your repair shop fails or is unable to remedy this defect without charge and within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street SW, Washington, DC 20590 or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

Sincerely,

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Technical Service & Claims Mgr.

Date

Dealer Customer Name

Address

Address

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To remedy this defect, please contact your Wilson dealer so they can inspect the area of concern, make necessary repairs and install fasteners in the mounting angles. The inspection, repair, and installation will be provided to you at no cost. The total time to perform these tasks should take to more than 1 hour.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact your Wilson dealer or Todd Heitman at Wilson Trailer Company 1-800-798-2002.

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