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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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MR. MARTIN FORSYTH
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NVS-215dgl
08V-086

Subject: FIFTH WHEEL LEVER PIVOT BOLTS/SAF-HOLLAND SIMPLEX

Dear MR. FORSYTH:

This letter serves to acknowledge Hyundai Translead's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect in the products described below, for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30119.

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:

HYUNDAI/CONVERTER DOLLY TRAILER/2007-2008

NHTSA Campaign Number: 08V-086

Mfg's Report Date: February 15, 2008

Components: CONVERTER DOLLY TRAILER HITCHES: FIFTH WHEEL ASSEMBLY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 605

Summary:

HYUNDAI TRANSLEAD IS RECALLING 605 MY 2007-2008 CONVERTER DOLLY TRAILERS EQUIPPED WITH SAF-HOLLAND SIMPLEX FIFTH WHEELS. A DEFORMED SPACER MAY PREVENT THE LEVER BAR FROM FULLY ARTICULATING, THUS PREVENTING THE SLIDING LOCK FROM ENGAGING THE JAW IN THE COUPLED POSITION AROUND THE TRAILER KINGPIN.

Consequence:

FAILURE OF THE FIFTH WHEEL TO FULLY COUPLE WITH THE TRAILER COULD RESULT IN THE TRAILER DETACHING WHEN IN MOTION CAUSING SERIOUS DAMAGE AND /OR DEATH.

Remedy:

HYUNDAI TRANSLEAD IS WORKING WITH SAF-HOLLAND. SAF-HOLLAND WILL SEND A REPAIR KIT TO OWNERS FREE OF CHARGE. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT SAF-HOLLAND AT 1-888-396-6501 EXT. 4343 OR HYUNDAI TRANSLEAD AT 619-680-3144.

Notes:

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).

This recall was the subject of an Equipment Query, EQ07-007, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

We have reviewed your proposed owner notification letter and it does not meet all the requirements of Part 577. Please revise your first paragraph to read:

“This notice is sent to youMotor Vehicle Safety Act. Hyundai Translead has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Converter Dolly Trailers that it manufactured for FedEx Ground.”

Also on the sample envelope, the words “SAFETY”, “RECALL”, “NOTICE” need to be used. They can be in any order, i.e., NOTICE – SAFETY RECALL or RECALL SAFETY NOTICE, etc.

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

You are required to provide an estimated date including month, day, and year, when you will send notifications to owners, dealers, and distributors as soon as it becomes available.

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. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter. Enclosed is a copy of the quarterly report guide form for your use in filing this report.

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, Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patricia Wallace for".

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