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February 15, 2008
War: 5th Whl

U. S. Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attn: Mr. George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation Enforcement
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington DC 20590

08V-086
(6 pages)

Dear Mr. Person:

Subject: SAF-Holland Simplex Fifth Wheel Campaign; NHTSA reference EQ07-007

Reference: (a) NHTSA ltr NVS-215AA, EQ07-007, 07V-496, 07V-530 dtd FEB 05, 2008
(b) 49 CFR Part 573.6

In accordance with References (a) and (b), Hyundai Translead herewith reports a safety campaign involving approximately 605 Hyundai Translead Converter Dolly Trailers manufactured May 2006 through July 2006 and March 2007 through August 2007 with SAF-Holland Simplex Fifth Wheel Model SE that may have a defect in the lever arm pivot bolt assembly.

Attached is Hyundai Translead's Defect Information Report.

Hyundai Translead's point of contact for this matter is F.T. McLean who may be contacted at [T] 619.680.3144, [F] 619-209.5621 or [E] mclean@translead.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Martin Forsyth', written in a cursive style.

Martin Forsyth
Director of Warranty

Enclosures: (1) Defect Information Report (49 FR Part 573)
(2) Draft Owner Notification Letter
(3) Draft Owner Notification Letter Envelope

February 15, 2008

Defect Information Report (49 CFR Part 573.6)

- 573.6(c)(1) **Manufacturer:** Hyundai Translead; 8880 Rio San Diego Dr., Ste. 600; San Diego CA 92108-1640; 619.680.3144
- 573.6(c)(2) **Vehicle Identification:** Certain Hyundai Translead Converter Dolly Trailers
Model Affected: Some CD-21A
Manufacture Dates: May - July 2006 and March - August 2007
Component Manufacturer: SAF-Holland USA, Inc.; 467 Ottawa Ave.; Holland MI 49423
- 573.6(c)(3) **Number of Vehicles Potentially Affected:** 605
- 573.6(c)(4) **Percentage of Vehicles Estimated to Contain Defect:** Unknown
- 573.6(c)(5) **Defect Description:** On affected 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.
- 573.6(c)(6) **Chronology of Principal Events:**
February 11, 2008 - Received NHTSA letter NHTSA Itr NVS-215AA, EQ07-007, 07V-496, 07V-530 dtd FEB 05, 2008
February 13, 2008 - Confirmed campaign with manufacturer SAF-Holland
February 15, 2008 - NHTSA notified as required by 49 CFR Part 573
- 573.6(c)(7) **Noncompliance - test or other data:** Not applicable.
- 573.6(c)(8) **Remedial Program:** Manufacturer's SAF-Holland program as published at <http://www.thehollandgroupinc.com/NR/rdonlyres/26DB1A04-D02F-4F78-8129-673BA70CD5E1/0/XLFW532RevB.pdf> will be forwarded to the customer of the affected trailers.
Estimated Owner Notification Date: Within 2 working days of notification of NHTSA approval of draft owner notification letter.
Reimbursement Plan: SAF-Holland states they will provide a parts kit and reimburse 1/4 hour labor for modification/change.
- 573.6(c)(9) **Information for Tire Recalls:** Not applicable.
- 573.6(c)(10) **Communications:** The affected fifth wheels were assembled as part of Converter Dolly Trailers for a single customer, FedEx Ground Package System, a draft owner notification letter is attached.
- 573.6(c)(11) **Manufacturer's Campaign No.:** 080215 War 5th Whl.

Draft Owner Notification Letter

- - Hyundai Translead Itr hd - -

- - date - -

FedEx Ground Package System, Inc.
Attn: Mr. M. Van Wassenhove
Warranty Manager, LSM Dept.
1000 FedEx Dr.
Moon Township PA 15108

Dear Mr. Van Wassenhove:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act and is notification of a SAF-Holland campaign involving the Converter Dolly Trailers that Hyundai Translead manufactured for FedEx Ground. The Converter Dollies were manufactured during May - July 2006 [VIN serials 7T174001 - 7T174172 (FedEx Unit Nos. 600364 - 600535)] and March - August 2007 [VIN serials 8T11001 - 8T110563 (FedEx Unit Nos. 600851 - 601413)]. Holland reports that on an unknown percentage of their Simplex SE fifth wheel, a deformed spacer, if found, 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.

Precautions that should take place to reduce the chance that a malfunction could occur before the defect is remedied are that the tractor driver should always inspect for complete fifth wheel coupling before moving the tractor-fifth wheel-trailer combination. Complete coupling may be verified by visual inspection of the Holland coupler indicator and the release handle to ensure there is no gap between the indicator and handle. 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.

Holland has published inspection and replacement procedures for this campaign at <http://www.thehollandgroupinc.com/NR/rdonlyres/26DB1A04-D02F-4F78-8129-673BA70CD5E1/0/XLFW532RevB.pdf> and Holland has stated that by contacting their sales staff, 888-396-6501, or by completing and submitting the attached Holland form, a free parts kit will be provided; please note the Holland required information on the form. Holland has additionally stated that they will allow 15 minutes labor to complete any change out required.

FedEx Ground may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Washington DC 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>, if FedEx believes that the manufacturer has failed or is unable to remedy the defect or noncompliance without charge.

The Holland campaign has been reported to NHTSA and inspection findings and repairs are required to be reported in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573; Hyundai Translead will provide additional information regarding this reporting in a future letter.

The Hyundai Translead POC for this campaign is Tom McLean, Manager, Warranty & Government Business, [T] 619.680.3144, [F] 619-209.5621 or [E] mclean@translead.com; please contact him regarding any questions.

Sincerely,

Martin Forsyth
Director of Warranty

Enclosure

Cc: FedEx Ground Package System, Inc., Attn: Mr. R. Flesher, P.O. Box 108, Pittsburgh PA 15230



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SIMPLEX SHOULDER BOLT CAMPAIGN
REQUIRED INFORMATION FOR
WARRANTY CLAIM/N/C ORDERS FOR REPLACEMENT KIT

Full 17 digit VIN number _____
If more than 1 please attach list

Serial Number of 5th Wheel _____

Date in service of unit _____

Mfg of unit _____

End user/owner _____

Mileage/Hours _____

Ship to information:

Name: _____

Ship to Address _____

Fax Number _____

Phone Number _____

Quantity - RK-11131 _____

Purchase Order Number - Will be warranty claim number _____

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Warranty Claim Number _____

FD Order Number _____

Draft Owner Notification Letter Envelope



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