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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Jeffery Carpenter
Director of Service
Crane Carrier Company
1925 N. Sheridan Road
Tulsa, OK 74115

NVS-215kjs
08V-049

Dear Mr. Carpenter:

Crane Carrier Company (Crane Carrier) is requested, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 30165, 30166, and 30119, to renotify owners involved in safety recall 08V-049 who have not had their vehicles corrected or otherwise accounted for. This recall involves 692 MY 1999-2001 COE, MY 1999-2002 LDT, MY 2001-2007 LDT2, MY 1998-2003 LET, and MY 2001-2007 LET2 refuse cab and chassis for failing to comply with the brake release timing requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 121, "Air Brake Systems." The brake release timing was slower than required. Owner notification began on March 14, 2008. In Crane Carroer's seventh reporting quarter, Crane Carrier reports that of the 692 vehicles involved, 385 have not been remedied.

Crane Carrier should conduct the owner renotification in accordance with the guidelines listed below.

- Before conducting the owner renotification, Crane Carrier should obtain an updated owner list, for this recall campaign, based on current state motor vehicle registration records.
- Crane Carrier's proposed owner renotification letter for this recall must meet the requirements of 49 CFR Part 577.10, "Follow-up Notification," and must be submitted to NHTSA for review before owner renotification begins. Part 577.10(e)(1) specifically requires that the renotification letter be identified as a "... follow-up to an earlier communication."
- In addition to the six quarterly status reports required under 49 CFR Part 573.6, "Quarterly Reports," Crane Carrier is requested to file three additional quarterly status reports.

- Furnish a proposed schedule for conducting the owner renotification that includes the following information:
 - a. the date on which the search of current state motor vehicle registration records will be initiated in order to update the original owner list;
 - b. the approximate date on which the revised owner list will be available to initiate owner renotification;
 - c. the approximate date on which the owner renotification will begin; and
 - d. the approximate date on which the owner renotification will be completed (if the owner renotification is to be staggered, give the beginning and ending owner renotification date for each segment).

Crane Carrier's renotification schedule and a draft of the proposed owner renotification letter must be submitted to this office by February 25, 2010.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Ric Willard at (202) 366-6544, richard.willard@dot.gov or Kelly Schuler at (202) 366-5227, Kelly.schuler@dot.gov or by fax at (202) 366-7882.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G. Person", written in a cursive style.

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