



May 20, 2009

**Subject: New Safety Recall (SC0338, Haldex Quick Release Valve)  
Reference NHTSA Recall No. 09E-004**

**Attention:**

Associate Administrator for Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.  
Washington, DC 20590

**Submitted via Email to Delia Lopez**

The following information is submitted in accordance with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 573.6 as it applies to a defect relating to motor vehicle safety.

**573.6(c)(1)**

Mack Trucks, Inc. ("Mack Trucks")  
2100 Mack Blvd  
Allentown, PA 18103

**573.6(c)(2)**

Certain Mack model vehicles manufactured with a Haldex Quick Release Valve from August 20, 2008 through November 26, 2008.

The selection of vehicles was based on material delivery dates supplied by Meritor Wabco.

**Affected Models:** MRU, LEU

**Model Year:** 2009

**Component Manufacturer:**

Haldex Brake Products Corporation  
2702 N. State Street  
Iola, Kansas 66749

**573.6(c)(3)**

There are approximately three hundred thirty eight (338) vehicles affected by the recall all of which were sold in the United States.

**573.6(c)(4)**

The percentage of the 338 vehicles expected to contain the defect is unknown.

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### **573.6(c)(5)**

The suspect quick release valves contain a rubber diaphragm that may delaminate and cause air to leak past/or through the diaphragm in excess of permissible specifications, or cause a restriction or blocking of the air flow, thereby affecting pressure delivery or release to the foundation brakes.

### **573.6 (c)(6)**

Chronology of principle events that were the basis for the determination:

- 5/7/09 Meritor Wabco informs Mack Trucks of safety related defect by formal letter
- 5/7/09 Mack Trucks opens an investigation to identify vehicles that need recalled
- 5/20/09 Mack Trucks identifies scope (i.e. vehicles)
- 5/26/09 NHTSA notified that Mack Trucks would initiate a voluntary safety recall

### **573.6(c)(7)**

Not applicable

### **573.6(c)(8)**

Mack Trucks will initiate a voluntary owner notification, and recall all 338 vehicles.

The recall repair will consist of replacing the suspect component.

Reimbursement for cost incurred by the owner for “prenotification remedies” will be addressed on a case-by-case basis according to the “General Plan for Reimbursement of Pre-notification Remedies” which was published December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2004.

The number, which has been assigned to this recall by Mack Trucks, is **SC0338**.

A Safety Recall Alert will be released to dealers on or before May 29, 2009, which informs the dealers of the recall. Owner letters are tentatively scheduled to be mailed on or before June 26, 2009.

An advance copy of the owner’s letter will be submitted to NHTSA for review and approval prior to release to the owners.



If there are any questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact me.

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