



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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NVS-215kjs  
11V-447

SUBJECT: AXLE ASSEMBLY

DEAR MR. ERBEL:

This letter serves to acknowledge Multiquip, Inc.'s (Multiquip) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the vehicles listed below.

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:**

MULTIQUIP/TRLR220XFE/2011  
MULTIQUIP/TRLR220XFH/2011

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 11V-447      **Mfg's Report Date:** August 23, 2011

**Components:** POWER TRAIN:AXLE ASSEMBLY

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 60

**Summary:**

MULTIQUIP IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2011 DUAL AXLE TRAILERS, MODELS TRLR220XFH (EE46175 HYDRAULIC BRAKE AXLE) AND TRLR220XFE (EE46176 ELECTRIC BRAKE AXLE), MANUFACTURED FROM MARCH 1, 2011, THROUGH JULY 22, 2011. DUE TO AN INCORRECT WELDING PROCEDURE, THE WELDED ASSEMBLY AT THE AXLE HUB MAY HAVE INSUFFICIENT WELD PENETRATION.

**Consequence:**

THE AXLE COULD BREAK WHILE IN USE, POSSIBLY RESULTING IN A VEHICLE CRASH.

**Remedy:**

MULTIQUIP NOTIFIED ALL IDENTIFIED OWNERS ON AUGUST 3, 2011. THE AXLE SUPPLIER, GLOBAL DIRECT COMPONENTS (GDC), WILL INSPECT AND MEASURE THE WELD AND REPLACE ANY AXLE OUTSIDE OF SPECIFICATION. OWNERS MAY CONTACT GDC AT 1-574-522-5300 OR MULTIQUIP AT 1-310-537-3700.

**Notes:**

MULTIQUIP'S RECALL NUMBER IS TL20110803. CUSTOMERS MAY 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).

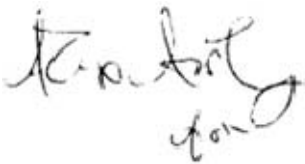
Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter, as described under 49 CFR Part 577, to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. 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 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter in which the campaign was initiated. Thereafter, quarterly reports will be due on or before 30 days after close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler, who may be reached by phone at 1-202-366-5227, by email at [Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov](mailto:Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you for the successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



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Acting Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement