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Safety Defect and Noncompliance Report Guide for Equipment
PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report¹

On Aug 30th, 2011, Aulick Manufacturing [MFR] decided that (a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety)(a noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 224) exists in items of motor vehicle equipment listed below, and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 **Defect and Noncompliance Reports**.

Date this report was prepared: 8-30-2011 _____

Furnish the manufacturer's identification code for this recall (if applicable): nvs-222lfi/oa-224-091001 _____

1. Identify the full corporate name of the fabricating manufacturer/brand name/trademark owner of the recalled item of equipment. If the recalled item of equipment is imported, provide the name and mailing address of the designated agent as prescribed by 49 U.S.C. §30164.

Aulick Manufacturing INC
730 Ave i P O BOX 259
Scottsbluff NE 69361

Identify the corporate official, by name and title, whom the agency should contact with respect to this recall.

Vinc Aulick

Telephone Number: 308-632-6197 **Fax No.:** 308-632-7345

Name and Title of Person who prepared this report.

Vinc Aulick

Signed:

¹Each manufacturer must furnish a report, to the Associate Administrator for Enforcement, for each defect or noncompliance condition which relates to motor vehicle safety.

This guide was developed from 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports" and also outlines information currently requested. Any questions, please consult the complete Part 573 or contact Ms. Jennifer Timian at (202) 366-0209, by FAX at (202) 366-7882, or E-Mail to RMD.ODI@dot.gov.

I. Identify the Recalled Items of Equipment

2. Identify the Items of Equipment Involved in this Recall, for each make and model or applicable item of equipment product line (provide illustrations or photographs as necessary to describe the item of equipment), provide:

Generic name of the item:

Make: Aultimate **Model:** All Models

Part Number: AUL-REARBUMPER **Size:**

STANDARD

Function: REAR BUMPER

Other information which characterizes/distinguishes the items of equipment to be recalled:

Make: _____ **Model:** _____

Part Number: _____ **Size:** _____

Function: _____

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Part Number: _____ **Size:** _____

Function: _____

Other information which characterizes/distinguishes the items of equipment to be recalled:

Identify the approximate percentage of the production of all the recalled models manufactured by your company between the inclusive dates of manufacture provided above, that the recalled model population represents. For example, if the recall involved Equipment equipped with certain items of equipment from January 1, 2011, through April 1, 2011, then what was the percentage of the recalled Equipment of all Equipment manufactured during that time period.

II. Identifying the Recall Population

3. Furnish the total number of items of equipment recalled potentially containing the defect or noncompliance.

<u>Model</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of Items Potentially Involved</u>
See addendum 1		

Total Number Potentially Affected by the Recall: 642

4. Furnish the approximate percentage of the total number of items of equipment estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance: 100

Identify and describe how the recall population was determined--in particular how the recalled models were selected and the basis for the beginning and final dates of manufacture of the recalled items of equipment: _____

The standard Aultimate rear bumper has been above the maximum allowed in 224 , on all models from the 1st production model to present

III. Describe the Defect or Noncompliance

5. Describe the defect or noncompliance. The description should address the nature and physical location of the defect or noncompliance. Illustrations should be provided as appropriate.

The rear bumper meets all the requirements as set forth in 224 , except for the maximum height above the ground of 560 mm

Describe the cause(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

The height of the bumper was above the 224 maximum to allow unloading the trailer into a hopper or other unloading equipment

Describe the consequence(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

Bumper height is above the 224 maximum height allowed

Identify any warning which can (a) precede or (b) occur.

none

If the defect or noncompliance is in a component or assembly purchased from a supplier, identify the supplier by corporate name and address.

not purchased

Identify the name and title of the chief executive officer or knowledgeable representative of the supplier:

IV. Provide the Chronology in Determining the Defect/Noncompliance

If the recall is for a defect, complete item 6, otherwise item 7.

6. With respect to a defect, furnish a chronological summary (including dates) of all the principle events that were the basis for the determination of the defect. The summary should include, but not be limited to, the number of reports, accidents, injuries, fatalities, and warranty claims.

No reports , accidents, injuries, fatalities , or warranty claims .

7. With respect to a noncompliance, identify and provide the test results or other data (in chronological order and including dates) on which the noncompliance was determined.

Bumper is not in compliance with 224 because it exceeds the maximum height allowed above ground of 560 mm

V. Identify the Remedy

8. Furnish a description of the manufacturer's remedy for the defect or noncompliance. Clearly describe the differences between the recall condition and the remedy.

Replace the rear bumper

Replacement rear bumper is lower to the ground , 560mm

Clearly describe the distinguishing characteristics of the remedy component/assembly versus the recalled component/assembly.

The rear bumper is closer to the ground 560 mm

Identify and describe how and when the recall condition was corrected in production. If the production remedy was identical to the recall remedy in the field, so state. If the product was discontinued, so state.

Production remedy is identical to recall remedy

VI. Identify the Recall Schedule

Furnish a schedule or agenda (with specific dates) for notification to other manufacturers, dealers/retailers, and purchasers. Please, identify any foreseeable problems with implementing the recall.

Notification to be as soon as possible after proper recall letters have been prepared and approved

VII. Furnish Recall Communications

9. Furnish a final copy of all notices, bulletins, and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and which are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, or purchaser. This includes all communications (including both original and follow-up) concerning this recall from the time your company determines the defect or noncompliance condition on, not just the initial notification. A DRAFT copy of the notification documents should be submitted to this office by Fax (202-366-7882) or by E-Mail (RMD.ODI@dot.gov) for review prior to mailing.

