



**Great Dane Trailers**

A Division of Great Dane Limited Partnership

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**SAFETY RECALL NOTICE** 11V-023

Customer  
Address  
Address  
City, State Zip

VIN's:

Re: ArvinMeritor

To Whom It May Concern:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Great Dane Trailers has decided that a defect that relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain trailers based on information provided by ArvinMeritor. The defect exists in certain ArvinMeritor supplied TL Series axle wheel end systems assembled by ArvinMeritor at their Frankfort, KY facility. The axles were shipped between April, 2005 and July, 2008 and installed on trailers with the above listed vehicle identification numbers (VIN's). The suspect ArvinMeritor TL Series axles have been reported to have low torque on the spindle nut where the stake washer for the nut is staked in a single location as opposed to multiple locations. Low and or no torque on the nut can result in excessive end-play in the wheel-end system and could progress to a wheel separation which could result in a crash.

To address and remedy this defect ArvinMeritor has issued Technical Bulletin TP-0860 which has been attached to this letter. Customers with trailers originally equipped with suspect ArvinMeritor TL Series axles, per the above listed VIN's, should take their trailers to any Great Dane Trailers Branch or Dealer service facility for inspection and remedy in accordance with TP-0860. [Repairs will be performed free of charge.](#) If you have any questions or require further information you may contact Great Dane Customer Service at 1-877-369-3493.

If you conclude that ArvinMeritor or Great Dane Trailers has not enabled you to remedy this condition without charge and/or in a reasonable time, a complaint may be submitted to the:

Administrator  
National Highway Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

-or-

Call the toll free Vehicle Safety Hotline: 1-888-327-4236; (TTY: 800-424-9153 or go to <http://www.safecar.gov> )

We regret any inconvenience that this situation may have caused. Great Dane Trailers and ArvinMeritor want to assure you that we are concerned for customer safety and your continued satisfaction with our products.

Sincerely,

Barry A. Mitchell  
Director – Customer Service/Warranty  
Great Dane Trailers