



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

April 11, 2012

MR. JOEL BAUER  
PRESIDENT,  
MIDSOTA MANUFACTURING, INC.  
404 COUNTY ROAD 50  
AVON, MN 56310

NVS-215et  
12V-155

**SUBJECT: E/H BRAKE ACTUATOR**

**DEAR MR. BAUER:**

This letter serves to acknowledge Midsota Manufacturing's (Midsota) 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:**  
MIDSOTA/ST-22/2012

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 12V-155

**Mfg's Report Date:** March 19, 2012

**Components:** EQUIPMENT: TRAILER

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 1

**Summary:**

MIDSOTA MANUFACTURING (MIDSOTA) IS RECALLING ONE MODEL YEAR 2012 ST-22 TRAILER EQUIPPED WITH A DEXTER AXLE BRAND ELECTRIC/HYDRAULIC (E/H) BRAKE ACTUATOR PUMP. THIS PUMP MAY NOT HAVE BEEN PROPERLY HEAT TREATED. THIS CONDITION CAN CAUSE PREMATURE WEAR OF SOME CRITICAL COMPONENTS IN THIS PUMP WHICH CAN RENDER THE UNIT INOPERABLE.

**Consequence:**

THE E/H BRAKE ACTUATOR PROVIDES BRAKING POWER TO THE TRAILER BRAKES. FAILURE OF THE ACTUATOR CAN RESULT IN THE LOSS OF BRAKING EFFORT BY THE TRAILER, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

**Remedy:**

MIDSOTA WILL NOTIFY THE OWNER, AND A DEXTER AXLE DEALER WILL REPLACE THE ACTUATOR, FREE OF CHARGE.

**Notes:**

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).

We have received your proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Your contact for this recall will be Edison Thompson, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-9525, by email at [Edison.Thompson@dot.gov](mailto:Edison.Thompson@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,



Jennifer Timian  
Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement