



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

August 17, 2012

Mr. Steve Bunch  
Purchasing Agent  
B & M Manufacturing Company  
1150 Old South 5  
Camdenton, MO 65020

NVS-215ET  
12V-396

**Subject:** Wheel Separation

Dear Mr. Bunch:

This letter serves to acknowledge B & M Manufacturing Company's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) 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:**

HAUL-RITE/ABT66-HD/2012  
HAUL-RITE/ABT66-TDM/2012  
HAUL-RITE/ABT78-HD/2012  
HAUL-RITE/ABT78-TDM/2012  
HAUL-RITE/TRN63-HD/2012

**Mfr's Report Date:** August 8, 2012

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 12V-396

**Components:**

WHEELS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 18

**Problem Description:**

B & M Manufacturing Company (B & M) is recalling certain model year 2012 boat trailers equipped with Carlisle Transport Products brand wheels installed as original equipment. These wheels were manufactured with machine dimensions for the application of a center cap and the application of steel lug inserts that were not controlled to the required specifications. As a result, the wheel may not be tightened to the proper torque during the mounting process.

**Consequence:**

If the wheels are not tightened to the proper torque, the wheels could loosen, leading to wheel separation, possibly resulting in a vehicle crash. A detached wheel also becomes a road hazard.

**Remedy:**

B & M will notify owners, and dealers will repair or replace affected wheels free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on August 24, 2012. Owners may contact B & M Manufacturing Company at 1-573-346-7246.

**Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to [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.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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 one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Edison Thompson who may be reached by phone at 202-366-9525, or 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.

Sincerely,



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