



Stoughton Trailers, LLC

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STAR TRAILER SALES
1120 CENTER ST
MANKATO, MN 56003

Re: Notice of possible defect
NHTSA ID# 13V-025
Trailer Serial # xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

To: All STOUGHTON Model AHV Trailer Dealers and Authorized Repair shops

Stoughton Trailers, LLC (Stoughton) has decided that a safety defect may exist in certain model year 2009-2011 AHV Model trailers (commonly referred to as "Grain Haulers" or "Ag Hoppers"). Accordingly, a recall to address this issue is being initiated effective immediately and as soon as current owners can be notified. The defects involve the following:

- A. Possible fatigue cracks found in the suspension subframe channels to hopper crossmember front attachment on trailers produced from December 17, 2007 – October 28, 2010 (a total of 1,115 trailers). Trailers manufactured after that date are equipped with a newly designed suspension subframe front attachment. While Stoughton is unaware of any instance in which a crack in the suspension subframe front attachment has led to a loss of vehicle control or a crash, if such a crack develops and is left uncorrected, Stoughton is not able to rule out the possibility that over the life of the trailer, such crack could lead to loss of vehicle control and/or a crash which could result in serious bodily injury or death, as well as property damage.
- B. Possible fatigue cracks in the lower rails of trailers produced from December 17, 2007 – September 24, 2009 (a total of 638 trailers). These fatigue cracks may develop in the area just forward of the landing gear of

the trailer. Stoughton is not aware of any instances in which the lower rail has completely fractured, or of any instance in which cracking of the lower rail in this area has lead to a loss of vehicle control or a crash. However, Stoughton is not able to rule out the possibility that over the life of the trailer cracks developing in the lower rail that are not repaired could lead to a failure of the rail at some point. Such a failure could result in serious bodily injury or death, as well as property damage.

Owners of affected trailers will be notified by mail about the recall and will be instructed to bring their trailers to the nearest participating dealership for correction. Attached is a list of participating dealerships. If you are on the list and do not want to be, or if you are not on the list and want to do the repairs, please contact Tom Daily or Pam Alexander at the phone numbers or e-mail addresses provided below.

The needed corrective actions are set forth on the attached Repair Documents RD-00031, Ag Hopper Trailer Coupler to Hopper Structure Upgrade and RD-00040, Ag Hopper Suspension Subframe Front Attachment Upgrade. The repair documents will be sent seperately. There is no cost to owners for this recall. You will be reimbursed by Stoughton for your costs in remedying the defects, and you should process completed work as you would warranty claims.

Please be reminded that it is a violation of federal law for you to sell or lease the trailers covered by this notification until this recall has been performed on them. Substantial civil penalties apply to violations of this law.

Your assistance with this recall is very much appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

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Sincerely,

Tom Daily
Customer Service

Enclosures: Customer Notice
Trailer list with serial numbers

STOUGHTON TRAILERS RECALL 13V-025 AUTHORIZED REPAIR SHOPS

Dealer	NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	ST	ZIP	PHONE #	CONTACT
*	JIM HAWK TRUCK & TRAILER	3119 S 9TH STREE	COUNCIL BLUFFS	IA	51501	800-621-7788	RANDY
	JIM HAWK TRUCK & TRAILER	3515 ADVENTURELAND DR	ALTOONA	IA	50009	800-992-3355	KEVIN
	JIM HAWK TRUCK & TRAILER	900 WEST 76TH	DAVENPORT	IA	52806	800-433-8468	MARK
	JIM HAWK TRUCK & TRAILER	5200 S LEWIS BLVD	SIOUX CITY	IA	51106	877-994-8343	JON
	LOVELL TRAILER REPAIR	170 W 18TH	WATERLOO	IA	50702	319-235-7777	PAT
	R & R WELDING	2027 IVANHOE AVE	NEW HAMPTON	IA	50659	341-394-3441	BEN
*	EFFINGHAM TRUCK SALES, INC	1701 W FAYETTE AVE	EFFINGHAM	IL	62401	217-342-5000	SHANNON
	JIM HAWK TRUCK & TRAILER	4001 N. MAIN	EAST PEORIA	IL	61611	800-421-6559	ADAM
*	MCBRIDE MACK SALES & SERV	HIGHWAY 13 EAST	CARBONDALE	IL	62902	618-529-3344	MIKE Y
*	R-EQUIPMENT	3693 EAST 6TH RD	UTICA	IL	61373	825-539-3666	KEVIN
*	R-EQUIPMENT	8789 RTE 64	SYCAMORE	IL	60178	815-899-8998	CHRISTY
*	ILLIANA TRUCK PARTS	909 NORTH 25TH ST	TERRE HAUTE	IN	47803	812-232-6453	JERRY
	RUXER TRUCK	123 PLACE RD	JASPER	IN	47546	800-397-8937	RYAN
*	WICHITA TRAILER	335 E 49TH ST NORTH	PARK CITY	KS	67219	316-832-2800	DAVID
*	MCBRIDE MACK SALES & SERV	155 MCBRIDE LANE	PADUCAH	KY	42001	270-442-7545	DAVID
	B & M TRAILER REPAIR	1122 CENTER ST	MANKATO	MN	56003	507-387-6861	DOUG
*	STAR TRAILERS SALES	1120 CENTER ST	MANKATO	MN	56003	507-625-2234	MIKE
	PRARIE TRAILER	14 INDUSTRIAL BLVD	MORRIS	MN	56267	888-495-5897	JOEL
	GATEWAY TRAILER REPAIR	20 KARYDAN CT	ST CHARLES	MO	63301	636-916-5011	RON
	JIM HAWK TRUCK & TRAILER	7500 NE GARDNER AVE	KANSAS CITY	MO	64120	800-224-5045	BRUCE
*	TRUX TRAILER AND TRACTOR	900 N WEST BYPASS	SPRINGFIELD	MO	65802	417-831-4074	MARK
*	DAKOTA COUNTY TRUCKS	9644 74TH ST SE	LAMOURE	ND	58458	701-883-4400	PHILLIP
	NORTHWEST TRUCK & TRAILER	4020 12TH AVE N	FARGO	ND	58102	701-277-0217	RICH
*	WALLWORKS TRUCK CENTER	900 35TH ST. NW BOD 1819	FARGO	ND	58107	800-937-3003	JOHN A
*	DIAMOND T TRUCK & TRAILER	18550 N HWY 77	BEATRICE	NE	68310	402-223-5500	TRACEY
*	ROWLAND TRUCK & EQUIP	5425 CHILDREN'S HOME- BRADFORD RD	GREENVILLE	OH	45331	937-548-4200	AARON or SCOTT
	UNGER FABRICATION	6963 EATON-GETTSBURG	EATON	OH	45320	937-456-2247	CARRIE
	JIM HAWK TRUCK & TRAILER	1401 E BENSON RD	SIOUX FALLS	SD	57104	800-245-3995	MARK
*	PETERSON MOTORS	120 9TH AVE SE	WATERTOWN	SD	57201	605-886-3990	JOHN
	WHITNEY WELDING	207 BROAD STREET	SOUTH SHORE	SD	57263	605-756-4117	MATT
	FLEETCO INC	3003 BRICK CHURCH PIKE	NASHVILLE	TN	37207	615-256-0600	RICKY
	LANDMARK TRAILERS & TRUCK	4801 RUTLEDGE PIKE	KNOXVILLE	TN	37914	865-546-9781	JR PRATT
*	EAU CLAIRE TRUCK & TRAILER	7918 PARTRIDGE ROAD	EAU CLAIRE	WI	54703	715-874-6820	JIM
*	R-EQUIPMENT	2252 MUNZ RD	DODGEVILLE	WI	53533	608-935-9355	BRIAN
*	STUART TANK SALES CORP	940 E GENEVA ST	ELKHORN	WI	53121	262-723-2200	MATT

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