

Part 573 Safety Recall Report**15V-543****Manufacturer Name :** Strick Trailers, LLC**Submission Date :** AUG 27,2015**NHTSA Recall No. :** 15V-543**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Strick Trailers, LLC

Address : 301 North Polk Street
Monroe IN 46772

Company phone : 260-692-1300

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 33

Estimated percentage with defect : 100

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle : 2001-2001 Strick S4280E99NFWWP

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Single axle 28 foot van trailer with pintle hook

Production Dates : OCT 11, 2000 - OCT 11, 2000

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : 1S11E92881E471048

End : 1S11E92881E471048

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2009-2009 Strick S4285E99NFWP

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Single axle 28.5 foot van trailer with pintle hook

Production Dates : MAR 12, 2008 - MAR 17, 2008

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : 1S11E92889E523225

End : 1S11E92899E523256

 Not sequential VINs**Description of Noncompliance :**

Description of the Noncompliance : The rear impact guards using gussets 46993 and 46994 do not meet the standards set forth in Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 223.

FMVSS 1 : 223 - Rear impact guards

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : This could increase the risk of injury in the event of a rear impact crash.

Description of the Cause : NR
Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Supplier Identification :**Component Manufacturer**

Name : Strick Trailers, LLC

Address : 301 Polk Street

Monroe INDIANA 46772

Country : United States

Chronology :

On October 2, 2014 Strick Trailers determined that the design of a rear impact guard using gussets 46993 and 46994 may not have been verified using prescribed test procedures.

Between October 2, 2014 and approximately June 24, 2015 Strick determined that the majority of trailers built using rear impact guard gussets 46993 and 46994 qualified as "wheels back" and thus did not require a rear impact guard pursuant to FMVSS 224. A small number, however, did not qualify as "wheels back" and were determined to require a rear impact guard in conformance with FMVSS 223.

Between June 30, 2015 and August 19, 2015 Strick Trailers prepared bills of materials, fabricated and assembled parts for the test specimen.

On August 20, 2015 Strick Trailers tested a rear impact guard assembly containing gussets 46993 and 46994. The test was conducted in accordance with the procedures set forth in FMVSS 223. Analysis of the test results indicated that the assembly did not meet the requirements of FMVSS 223.

On August 20, 2015 Strick Trailers determined that one of the 33 trailers might require a different remedy due to a slightly different attachment method of the rear impact guard to the trailer.

On August 24, 2015 Strick Trailers began the process of identifying and testing an appropriate remedy or remedies. Remedy alternatives under consideration include reinforcement of the existing rear impact guard or replacement of the rear impact guard gussets.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Strick Trailers intends to supply and pay for the installation of reinforcements to the rear impact guard or, alternatively, the replacement of the rear impact guard gussets, depending on the outcome of the remedy design and testing currently underway. The remedy plan will be set forth in greater detail in the proposed customer notification letter to be provided to NHTSA within 45 days from the date hereof.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : NR

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : The proposed form of customer notification letter will be provided to NHTSA for approval within 45 days from the date hereof. Strick Trailers will notify all affected customers within 5 days of NHTSA's approval of the proposed customer notification letter.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NR - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date : NR - NR

* NR - Not Reported