

**Part 573 Safety Recall Report****15V-607****Manufacturer Name :** Navistar, Inc.**Submission Date :** SEP 28,2015**NHTSA Recall No. :** 15V-607**Manufacturer Recall No. :** None**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Navistar, Inc.

Address : 2701 Navistar Drive  
Lisle IL 60532

Company phone : 331-332-1590

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 3,776

Estimated percentage with defect : 100

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle : 2011-2014 International ProStar

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM &amp; HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : DIESEL

Descriptive Information : Heavy Diesel Truck; GVWR of 26,001 to 55,001 and over, with feature codes  
010DZS, 010EGM, 010EGN, 010EGP, 010GYL, 010GYM, 010GYN, 010GYP, 010GYR,  
010GYS, 010GYT, 010GYU, 010GYV, or 010GYW (Fontaine Ultra LT fifth wheel).

Production Dates : MAY 18, 2010 - APR 05, 2013

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2012-2014 International LoneStar

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM &amp; HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : DIESEL

Descriptive Information : Heavy Diesel Truck; GVWR of 33,001 to 55,001 and over, with feature codes  
010DZS, 010EGM, 010EGN, 010EGP, 010GYL, 010GYM, 010GYN, 010GYP, 010GYR,  
010GYS, 010GYT, 010GYU, 010GYV, or 010GYW (Fontaine Ultra LT fifth wheel).

Production Dates : SEP 07, 2011 - MAR 25, 2013

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2011-2013 International TranStar

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM &amp; HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : DIESEL

Descriptive Information : Heavy Diesel Truck; GVWR of 26,001 to 55,000, with feature codes 010DZS, 010EGM, 010EGN, 010EGP, 010GYL, 010GYM, 010GYN, 010GYP, 010GYR, 010GYS, 010GYT, 010GYU, 010GYV, or 010GYW (Fontaine Ultra LT fifth wheel).

Production Dates : OCT 18, 2010 - FEB 20, 2013

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

Not sequential VINs

**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : Per 15E-066 573 defect report, the subject fifth wheels and their locking mechanisms are susceptible to cumulative damage that may cause the fifth wheel lock to function improperly or a failure of the locking mechanism to properly engage.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : Per 15E-066 573 defect report, where cumulative damage has occurred and goes unnoticed during visual inspections and maintenance of the fifth wheel, the fifth wheel lock may fail to function properly and the locking mechanism of a damaged fifth wheel may fail to properly engage, the trailer could release from the fifth wheel increasing the risk of an accident or vehicle crash.

Description of the Cause : Per 15E-066 573 defect report, this cumulative damage is the result of the failure of operators to use proper coupling and maintenance procedures over a period of time. These practices include, but are not limited to, high coupling, a failure to conduct a proper visual inspection, a failure to ensure that the fifth wheel is in the fully open and ready to couple position prior to coupling, and failure to follow recommended maintenance practices.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : Per 15E-066 573 defect report, Owner/Operators should inspect each of the Ultra LT fifth wheels in their fleets to look for signs of any damage, including bent operating handles, wedge guides, locking wedges and locking jaws. Special care should be taken to inspect fifth wheels after known or suspected improper coupling attempts and instances in which preventative maintenance has not been performed per Fontaine Fifth Wheel's instructions. Where the damage to the fifth wheel caused by improper coupling procedures is severe, drivers may notice during their required visual inspection of the fifth wheel that the locking mechanism of the fifth wheel does not extend across the entire throat of the fifth wheel. In some instances where the fifth wheel locking mechanism has been damaged, the driver may notice excessive slack in the fifth wheel connection as he operates the vehicle.

**Supplier Identification :****Component Manufacturer**

Name : Fontaine Fifth Wheel Company (Fontaine)

Address : 7574 Commerce Circle

Trussville ALABAMA 35173

Country : United States

**Chronology :**

- 09/10/2015 – Navistar receives communication from Fontaine stating that they declared safety recall related to their Ultra LT model fifth wheel.
- 09/14/2015 – Navistar determines the scope of the issue relating to International truck models.
- 09/15/2015 – Navistar receives 577 letter from Fontaine for recall 15E-066.
- 09/17/2015 – Navistar supplies Fontaine with customer name and address information.
- 09/21/2015 – Navistar declares a Safety Recall.

**Description of Remedy :**

Description of Remedy Program : • Per 15E-066 573 defect report, the remedy will involve Fontaine replacing all Ultra LT fifth wheel units in the field at no charge with its Ultra NT model fifth wheel.

- Fontaine will administer the campaign, notify customers, supply remedy, and provide quarterly completion reports as outlined in Fontaine's defect report (NHTSA campaign number: 15E-066).
- Because Fontaine is administering the campaign, any plan for pre-remedy reimbursement will be handled by Fontaine.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Per 15E-066 573 defect report, the replacement fifth wheel is a different model fifth wheel with a different fifth wheel lock.

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

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : • Per 15E-066 573 defect report, it is estimated that the Customer and Dealer notification letters will be mailed from 08/24/2015 through 10/02/2015.

- Navistar has supplied Fontaine with customer name and address information on 09/17/2015.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : SEP 28, 2015 - OCT 02, 2015

Planned Owner Notification Date : SEP 28, 2015 - OCT 02, 2015

\* NR - Not Reported