



## FONTAINE TRAILER COMPANY

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### IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

Dear Fontaine Dealer,

Fontaine has determined that a defect which relates to Motor vehicle safety exists in certain Revolution flatbed trailers equipped with single axle slider assembly manufactured between September 30, 2013 and September 30, 2015. Accordingly, a recall to address this issue is being initiated effective 11/2/2015.

The defect involves the rigidity of the 3 inch "C" channel structural member attached to the lower front of the suspension frame hangers located on the single axle slider assembly. Cracks can develop in the weldments that over time can propagate into the structural support member. The structural member is an integral part of the support system of the suspension assembly. Continued operation with a cracked structural member will result in total separation of the member from the frame hangers and if the trailer is allowed to operate with a separated structural channel, subsequent damage to the slider assembly could occur increasing the risk of a crash.

Owners will be notified by mail about the recall and will be instructed to bring the affected trailers into an approved repair facility. Fontaine will make arrangements to have components made available to reinforce the existing structural member on the slider assembly or replace the original member if required due to existing cracks. As part of the enhancement, gussets supporting the hanger and slider frame will also be installed. This total enhancement takes approximately 2 man-hours. If the trailer is in service and is found to have cracks in the structural member, arrangements will be made to expedite the repairs and if needed, provide temporary rental equipment until the updates are completed. There is no cost to dealers or owners for this enhancement recall.

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 these vehicles. Substantial civil penalties apply to violation of this law

Your assistance with this recall is appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact your Sales representative or Fontaine Technical Services at 205-485-1300.

Sincerely

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