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Snowmobile trailer safety recall 16V-709

To all Dealers:

Universal Trailer Cargo Group Inc. is in the early stages of submitting a voluntary safety recall for certain aluminum framed snowmobile trailers. Please see below the details that have been provided to NHTSA. UTC Cargo group awaits a safety recall number. A field repair kit is being assembled as this communication is being distributed. Stay tuned for further information by the end of the week.

Summary:

Universal Trailer Cargo Group Inc has determined that in extreme cross wind conditions, the Haulmark models HAS85X16DT2, HAS85X20DT2, HAS85X22DT2, and HAS85X24DT2 and the Wells Cargo models WAS85X1622, WAS85X2022, WAS85X2222 and WAS85X2422 snowmobile trailer models produced from June 18, 2015 to September 23, 2016 may experience a lifting or tipping condition which may tear the coupler main tube (especially in an unloaded condition).

Consequence:

This unique action can allow the trailer to be disconnected from the tow vehicle because the main tube could tear.

Remedy:

UTC Cargo Group Inc. has developed a repair kit that requires a certified welder to install a reinforcement plate assembly and extra coupler tube to the main coupler tube which will alleviate the result of becoming disconnected. Universal Trailer strongly recommends all customers to be safe while towing trailers and that DOT cross wind warnings be adhered to.

Notes:

Owners may also contact Universal Trailer Cargo Group Inc.'s warranty department at (574) 206-4497 or go onto Haulmark.com or Wellscargo.com or 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.

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