



U.S. Department of Transportation
**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Ty Hanten
Director of Quality
Trail King Industries, Inc.
300 East Norway
Mitchell, SD 57301

NEF-150MR
17V-600

Subject: Reduced Braking due to Incorrectly Installed Axles

Dear Mr. Hanten:

This letter serves to acknowledge Trail King Industries, Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

TRAIL KING/FLATBED TRAILER/2013-2018

Mfr's Report Date: September 26, 2017

NHTSA Campaign Number: 17V-600

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES, ELECTRIC

Potential Number of Units Affected: 143

Problem Description:

Trail King Industries, Inc. (Trail King) is recalling certain 2013-2018 Flatbed Trailers, model numbers TK20, TKT20, TK24, TKT24, and TK32. The axles on these vehicles may have been installed incorrectly, reducing the braking ability of the electric brakes.

Consequence:

The brakes may not be able to be applied to full strength, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Trail King has notified owners, and dealers will inspect the orientation of the brakes, correcting them if necessary, free of charge. The recall began on October 4, 2017. Owners may contact Trail King customer service at 1-800-843-3324.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-1060, or by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement