

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

18V-825

Manufacturer Name : Great Dane Trailers

Submission Date : JAN 02, 2019

NHTSA Recall No. : 18V-825

Manufacturer Recall No. : NR



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Great Dane Trailers

Address : 602 E Lathrop Avenue
Savannah GA 31415

Company phone : 912-232-4471

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 102

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2019-2019 Great Dane Freedom Combo Drop Deck Platform Trailer

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : One hundred and two Freedom Combo Drop Deck platform trailers were produced in our Huntsville TN manufacturing facility with rear impact guards that do not meet the dimensional requirements for certification.

Production Dates : MAY 04, 2018 - AUG 14, 2018

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

☐ Not sequential

Description of Noncompliance :

Description of the Noncompliance : The rear impact guard was produced too narrow to be in compliance.

FMVSS 1 : 223 - Rear impact guards

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : In the event of a rear end collision the rear impact guard may not perform as designed or required, and could potentially lead to injuries or deaths.

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : NR
Address : NR
NR
Country : NR

Chronology :

Nov. 14, 2018 Great Dane Engineering discovered that some quantity of drop deck platform trailers may have been built with out compliant rear impact guards.
Nov. 14-19, 2018 Great Dane Engineering designed and tested via FEA a repair procedure to bring the rear impact guards into compliance.
Nov. 20, 2018 Great Dane Manufacturing confirmed that 102 trailers were in the field with this non-compliance
Nov. 21, 2018 Filed notice of Noncompliance with NHTSA.
Dec. 19, 2018 It was determined that the previously filed field repair was not feasible for correct installation in the field
Dec. 20, 2018 A new Field repair procedure was issued that instructed the full replacement of the rear impact guard horizontal instead of extensions.
Dec. 21, 2018: Customer Notification Letters Mailed.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program :	The rear impact guard horizontal will be replaced with a new full width rear impact guard horizontal to bring the rear impact guard width into compliance.
How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component :	A full width rear impact guard horizontal not installed on the trailer at the time of manufacture.
Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production :	Nov. 14, 2018 the Huntsville manufacturing facility began producing drop deck platform trailers with compliant width rear impact guard horizontals.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule :	We plan to have all notices mailed by 12/21/2018
Planned Dealer Notification Date :	DEC 21, 2018 - DEC 21, 2018
Planned Owner Notification Date :	DEC 21, 2018 - DEC 21, 2018

* NR - Not Reported