

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

20V-368

Manufacturer Name : Vac-Tron Equipment, LLC**Submission Date :** APR 06, 2021**NHTSA Recall No. :** 20V-368**Manufacturer Recall No. :** VVK0010**Manufacturer Information :****Population :**

Manufacturer Name : Vac-Tron Equipment, LLC

Number of potentially involved : 100

Address : 27137 South Hwy 33

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Okahumpka FL 34762

Company phone : 352-728-2222

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2020-2020 Vac-Tron CVGT

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : Using various manufacturing documents and drawings for the models identified above, research identified noncompliance to 49 CFR 571.108. The machines are not compliant due to missing rear and rear side reflex reflectors. Several models have been identified as having the non-compliant design for a total of 100 vacuum excavator trailers.

Production Dates : MAR 31, 2020 - MAY 15, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

☐ Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2020-2020 Vac-Tron CVGTLC

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

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Production Dates : MAY 01, 2020 - JUN 01, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

5HZ0192J2LK000101

End : 5HZ0192J0LK000114

☒ Not sequential

Vehicle 3 : 2020-2020 Vac-Tron CVSGT

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

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Production Dates : MAR 31, 2020 - MAY 01, 2020

Vehicle 4 : 2020-2020 Vac-Tron LPSDT

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

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Production Dates : MAR 31, 2020 - JUN 01, 2020

Vehicle 5 : 2020-2020 Vac-Tron LPSGT

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

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Production Dates : MAY 01, 2020 - MAY 01, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin : 5HZH16229LK002051 End : 5HZH16229LK002051 ☐ Not sequential

Vehicle 6 : 2020-2020 Vac-Tron LPXDT

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

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Production Dates : MAR 31, 2020 - MAY 01, 2020

Vehicle 7 : 2020-2020 Vac-Tron MINICOMBO

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

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Production Dates : MAY 01, 2020 - MAY 01, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin : 5HZK19240LK002027 End : 5HZK19240LK002027 ☐ Not sequential

Description of Noncompliance :

Description of the Noncompliance : No rear and rear side reflex reflectors were installed.

FMVSS 1 : 108 - Lamps, reflective devices, and assoc. Equipment

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : When towing or parking the vacuum excavator trailer on public roadways, a crash may occur resulting in death or serious injury resulting from a driver(s) of other vehicle(s) not seeing the vacuum excavator trailer at night or during limited sunlight and strike the vacuum excavator.

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : NR

Component Description : NR

Component Part Number : NR

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Chronology :

6-11-2020: While reviewing stock units Product Safety observed some units in inventory missing rear reflectors.

6-12-2020: Product Safety inspected all machines in inventory and began to review reviewed production records.

6-16-2020: Product Safety met with Engineering and Production Management to share findings inventory review and confirm production record review.

6-17-2020 Product Safety determined a need for a safety campaign due to a non-compliance.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Vac-Tron will prepare field remedy kits which will include the necessary parts and instructions to resolve noncompliance issues. These field remedy kits will be provided to authorized Vermeer dealers to install. Upon installation and receipt of field remedy kit warranty claim, dealers will be reimbursed for the parts and labor. Owners will be notified of the potential safety risk and available field remedy kit by letter according to the product database records maintained by Vermeer Corporation on behalf of its subsidiary, Vac-Tron. Vermeer Corporation will assist Vac-Tron in the administration of this field remedy kit.

Vermeer Corporation and its subsidiaries pay for all parts and labor for product safety recalls regardless of whether or not the machine is still covered by its one year standard limited warranty or whether the warranty has expired. Vermeer Corporation and its subsidiaries will reimburse a retail customer/machine owner when the owner has paid for a repair prior to the product safety alert field campaign. Owner must provide proof of repair. For an owner to obtain reimbursement, owner must inquire with an authorized, independent Vermeer dealer.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The identified field machine population was manufactured without rear and rear side reflex reflectors.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Through the Engineering Change Notification process, the bill of materials for affected Models will be updated to install adequate and properly positioned components to meet FMVSS 571.108.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : On behalf of Vac-Tron, on 08/04/2020 Vermeer Corporation will publish a service bulletin, sample owner letter and kit installation instructions on the factory-to-dealer private website. In addition, Vermeer Corporation will provide to each dealer a report identifying affected machines in their area of responsibility, including current owner information, from its database. Owner notification letters will be sent 08/18/2020, with translated letters where necessary, for the affected units.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : AUG 04, 2020 - AUG 04, 2020

Planned Owner Notification Date : AUG 18, 2020 - AUG 18, 2020

* NR - Not Reported