

14 July, 2020

XXXXXXX – Customer Name  
His Street Address  
HUMBLE, TX 77338

Dear Lode King Customer;

## **SUBJECT: Important Safety Recall # 20V345**

### **This notice applies to Prestige step deck semi-trailers**

### **This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.**

Lode King Industries has determined that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety may exist with your Prestige semi-trailer that could affect your safety.

Details are as follows:

- a. The name of the company giving notice is:  
**Triple E Canada Ltd.**  
**D.B.A. Lode King Industries**  
Box 1146  
135 Canada Street  
Winkler, MB R6W 4B2  
Phone (204) 325-4345
- b. Trailer VIN: 2LDSD532  
Make: Prestige Model: SDG53-2 Model Year: 2020
- c. This defect is that an incorrect load rating decal was applied to the trailer when it was manufactured. The load rating information displayed on this decal exceeds the strength of the main beams on this unit. This decal is located on the main beam of the trailer frame, beside the VIN plate containing the trailer serial number. See the accompanying photograph that illustrates this location.
- d. The safety risk is a structural failure if the trailer is overloaded, which could cause a loss of control and increase the risk of a crash.

- e. The corrective action for this defect is to remove the existing, incorrect decal and replace it with the correct load rating decal.
- f. Do not overload the trailer to minimize the risk of a failure of the trailer frame. Follow the load rating information shown on the load rating decal below.
- g. This corrective action can be accomplished at your authorized Prestige trailer dealer at no cost to you. We ask that you contact your dealer and make arrangements to get the trailer into their service shop for the work to be carried out. A half hour of shop time is allowed to make this change. The correct load rating decal for your trailer is illustrated below.
- h. Any trailer lessor receiving this recall notice should forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within 10 working days. If you know the current owner or operator, please forward this letter to them.

Our point of contact here at Lode King for the Recall will be the Mr. Randall Siemens, Customer Service & Warranty Manager.

If Lode King or its dealers do not repair the defect free of charge and within a reasonable amount of time, you may notify the Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327- 4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We look forward to working with you to swiftly address this issue and get this corrective action in place.

Yours truly,  
Lode King Industries



# CAUTION

**LOAD RATINGS - MODEL: STEPDECK, NORMAL DUTY**

**85000 LB MAXIMUM UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LOAD**

TRAILER WHEELBASE (ft.)	MAXIMUM CONCENTRATED LOADS IN					
	4 FEET		10 FEET		20 FEET	
	LBS.	KG.	LBS.	KG.	LBS.	KG.
34	55000	24900	60000	27200	72000	32700
35	53000	24000	58000	26300	70000	31800
36	51000	23100	56000	25400	67000	30400
37	50000	22700	54000	24500	64000	29000
38	48000	21800	52000	23600	61000	27700
39	46000	20900	50000	22700	59000	26800
40	45000	20400	49000	22200	57000	25900
41	44000	20000	47000	21300	55000	24900

ALL LOAD RATINGS ARE BASED ON THE STRENGTH OF THE MAIN BEAMS ONLY, WITH LOAD LOCATED IN THE CENTER OF THE WHEELBASE. CAPACITIES OF FLOORING, CROSS MEMBERS & SPACING, SUSPENSIONS, AXLES, BRAKES, TIRES, ETC. MUST BE MATCHED FOR EACH TRAILER'S APPLICATION. OPERATING CAPACITY OF TRAILER MUST COMPLY WITH LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AND GVWR (AS SHOWN ON THE COMPLIANCE PLATE).

WHEELBASE = DISTANCE FROM CENTER LINE OF KING PIN TO CENTER LINE OF SUSPENSION

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