



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

July 29, 2021

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

NEF-107MR
21V-541

Subject: Steering Arm May Detach

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/TKOLB/2018-2020

Mfr's Report Date: July 20, 2021

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V-541

Components:

STEERING

STEERING:LINKAGES:KNUCKLE:SPINDLE:ARM

Potential Number of Units Affected: 56

Problem Description:

Trail King Industries, Inc. (Trail King) is recalling certain 2018-2020 TKOLB332NG-HH, TKOLB336NG, TKOLB336NG-HH, TKOLB434NG-HH, and TKOLB436NG-HH vehicles equipped with Dexter Smart Steer axles. The steering arm may detach from the steering knuckle during certain low-speed, high-side loading maneuvers.

Consequence:

A detached steering arm may cause a loss of steering control. In addition, attachment hardware may fall and become a road hazard. Both of these scenarios can increase the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Dexter Axle will inspect the steering arm and apply welds, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed on August 2, 2021. Owners may contact Trail King's customer service at 1-800-843-3324 or Dexter Axle's customer service at 1-574-295-7888. Trail King's number for this recall is TK202103.

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.nhtsa.gov.



We have received Trail King's proposed owner notification letter and have approved it for distribution.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), 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).

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.

Trail King Industries, Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex Ansley", with a checkmark at the end.

Alex Ansley
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement