

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 21E-020

**Manufacturer Name :** Curt Manufacturing LLC

**Submission Date :** MAR 23, 2021

**NHTSA Recall No. :** 21E-020

**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR



## Manufacturer Information :

**Manufacturer Name :** Curt Manufacturing LLC

**Address :** 6208 Industrial Drive

Eau Claire WI 54701

**Company phone :** 1-800-738-7213

## Population :

**Number of potentially involved :** 13,474

**Estimated percentage with defect :** 56 %

## Equipment Information :

**Brand / Trade 1 :** CURT

**Model :** Forged Ball & Pintle Hitch

**Part No. :** 48190 & 48200

**Size :** NR

**Function :** Heavy-Duty Tow

**Descriptive Information :** Heavy-duty ball and pintle combination hitch that allows user to switch from ball to pintle hook without changing mounts.

**Production Dates :** NOV 01, 2019 - APR 30, 2020

## Description of Defect :

**Description of the Defect :** Due to an out of position pivot hole on the pintle body, the upper jaw latch position is higher than intended. This condition limits engagement of the locking pawl and may allow the upper jaw to unlatch under load.

**FMVSS 1 :** NR

**FMVSS 2 :** NR

**Description of the Safety Risk :** If this condition exists, the towed vehicle may separate, increasing the risk of a crash.

**Description of the Cause :** NR

**Identification of Any Warning that can Occur :** None.

## Involved Components :

Component Name : NR

Component Description : NR

Component Part Number : NR

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : Shanghai Jingco Machinery Co LTD

Address : NO 66, Songri Rd, Zhujin Town

Jingshan District Shanghai Foreign States 201596

Country : China

## Chronology :

3/27/20 - Received customer notification from field of a trailer disconnect. 4/21/20 - Product returned to CURT for quality inspection. 4/30/20 - Email sent to supplier/manufacturer identifying issue. 7/31/20 - All unsold inventory quarantined by CURT. Quality inspection performed and all suspect product pulled from inventory. 2/11/21 - Second field issue reported and product returned for inspection. 3/23/21 - Recall initiated.

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : The product will be replaced by the same part number at no charge to the customer.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Supplier has stamped a date code on the new parts indicating that it is conforming to the new build.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : 7/31/20 - All non-conforming product was scrapped from unsold inventory. Any new product received from the supplier after 7/31/20 is built to the new manufacturing specs.

## Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Will follow recall schedule below

Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAR 29, 2021 - APR 26, 2021

Planned Owner Notification Date : APR 05, 2021 - MAY 03, 2021

**Purchaser Information :**

The following manufacturers purchased this defective/noncompliant equipment for possible use or installation in new motor vehicles or new items of motor vehicle equipment:

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Company Phone : NR

\* NR - Not Reported