

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

22V-363

Manufacturer Name : Bravo Trailers, LLC**Submission Date :** MAR 07, 2024**NHTSA Recall No. :** 22V-363**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Bravo Trailers, LLC

Address : 19319 Co Rd 8

Bristol IN 46507

Company phone : (574) 848-7500

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 565

Estimated percentage with defect : 1 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2021-2021 Bravo Trailer Hero, Scout, Star

Vehicle Type : TRAILERS

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : The Recall came to Life when Pacific Trailer sent us a letter stating they had a bad batch of couplers that were sent out to a group of manufacturers that had tack welds along the bottom of the coupler instead of full welds on the bottom of there normal couplers. From the time frame they gave us we identified 565 possible units that could have gotten a miss welded coupler. This range of possible units are from September of 2021 until December of 2021. All units effected by this are Bravo Trailers with different makes and models (Heros, Scouts, Stars,

Production Dates : SEP 20, 2021 - DEC 20, 2021

VIN Range 1 : Begin : 542BC1624NB037017 End : 542BE2421NB039441 Not sequential**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : Part number CA-5400-o and CA- 500-B show incomplete welds on the bottom side of the coupler.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : The welds on the bottom side of the coupler could break causing possible disconnect with tow vehicle increasing the risk of a crash

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : If the coupler is broken it may feel excessively loose at time of connection.

Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : 14K RAM A FRAME COUPLER

Component Description : 14K# COUPLER

Component Part Number : CA-5400-0/B/Z

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : Pacific Trailer Product

Address : 19215 SE 34TH STREETM SYUTE 106#345
CAMAS Washington 98607

Country : United States

Chronology :

Bravo trailers received notification from Pacific Trailer 3/16/22 from part vender Redneck Trailer Supply. After that Bravo began to identify what trailers could possibly be affected by the parts sent by Pacific trailer. On 6/22 Bravo has located and tracked down all vin numbers that could potentially have been affected by the coupler. Bravo has not had any complaints or failures ever stated to them by any customers. The coupler manufacture was the one that notified us saying " there could be a problem " as of 10/22 Bravo trailers has yet to have a coupler failure come back to them or be notified that any of our customers are seeing this concern. Bravo was directed by the manufacturer of the coupler that if a coupler has a failure we will replace the coupler for the customer.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Part number CA-5400-o and CA- 500-B show incomplete welds on the bottom side of the coupler.

Pacific Trailer Products Inc. will pay for inspections and replacement of any defective couplers at no cost to ourselves or the customer.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The standardized coupler is fully welded on the under side of the coupler. The recalled product shows only spot welds on the under side.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : NR

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Bravo Trailers received the recall notice from Pacific Trailer on

3/11/2022. From that start date we compiled a list of vin numbers that could of possibly received a coupler from Pacific trailer in their recall time frame. That list was then sent out to individual dealer reps to compile customer contact information. Bravo Trailers has already reached out to all there dealers in regards to gathering customer information. We are currently still waiting on contact names and address from dealers. Once received we will proceed with sending out our recall letter to our customers that fall under the time line.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAY 20, 2022 - JUN 20, 2022

Planned Owner Notification Date : JUN 20, 2022 - JUL 29, 2022

* NR - Not Reported