

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

25V-136

Manufacturer Name : Big Tex Trailer Manufacturing, Inc.**Submission Date :** MAR 17, 2025**NHTSA Recall No. :** 25V-136**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :****Population :**

Manufacturer Name : Big Tex Trailer Manufacturing, Inc.

Number of potentially involved : 48

Address : 950 I-30 East

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Mt. Pleasant TX 75455

Company phone : 903-575-0300

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2025-2025 Big Tex Trailers 14RB, 14RD, 16RB, 16RD

Vehicle Type :

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : On February 26, 2025 Big Tex Trailers identified three (3) warranty claims for electric winch mounting hardware issues on certain roll-off dumpster models. Additional review identified five (5) total warranty claims reported between February 13 and February 20, 2025. Investigation revealed a possible safety issue existed. The winch mounting hardware could be undersized and the winch has the potential to become separated from the winch mount. The winches and hardware involved were placed into production May 30, 2024. We have identified 48 trailers by VIN that could have the undersized hardware installed.

Production Dates : MAY 30, 2024 - FEB 24, 2025

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

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Description of the Defect : The winch mounting hardware could be undersized and the winch has the potential to become separated from the winch mount. Based on our internal investigation, Big Tex Trailers decided to initiate a recall on 02/28/2025.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : The incorrect installation has the potential to allow the winch to separate from the mount, increasing the risk of injury.

Description of the Cause : A new winch supplier, Warrior Winches, was introduced to the Big Tex Trailers facility. The size of the winch hardware varied slightly from the previously used supplier, leading to incorrect installation on trailer winch mounts.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : Noticeable instability of the winch on the winch mount.

Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : Warrior 14.5K Winch

Component Description : Warrior Winch, 14.5K, 12V

Component Part Number : Big Tex PN 6900970

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Chronology :

On February 13, 2025, Big Tex Trailers received a warranty claim regarding winch mounting hardware issues on a 2025 trailer. On February 26, 2025, further investigation revealed four additional warranty claims, five in total, between February 13 and 20, 2025. Review identified a possible safety issue existed with hardware used to install certain 14.5K Warrior Winches on RB and RD model trailers beginning May 30, 2024. Big Tex Trailers immediately reviewed installation procedures for this winch and identified trailers that could potentially have winches installed incorrectly.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Big Tex Trailers will develop and provide visual inspection instructions to enable identification of proper and improper hardware used to install 14.5K winches. Big Tex Trailers will send replacement components as needed and distribute to dealers accordingly for in field replacement. Big Tex Trailers will provide the components and instructions to dealers and customers at no cost and reimburse them for labor to inspect and perform the necessary repairs. Customers that completed this remedy prior to this notification will be reimbursed.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Winch mounting hardware (bolt, nut, washer) size is the only differentiator.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : As of February 26, 2025, the current installation process has been reviewed and team members retrained. Additional work instructions will be created to support ongoing proper installation. On hand inventory has been inspected for proper winch hardware installation.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Dealer notification letters will be sent NLT 3/28/2025. Owner notification letters will be sent NLT 4/25/2025.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAR 28, 2025 - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date : APR 25, 2025 - NR

* NR - Not Reported