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National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

25V618

Manufacturer Name: Reading Truck Group LLC

Submission Date: Sep 17, 2025

NHTSA Recall No.: 25V618

Manufacturer Recall No.:

Manufacturer Information

Population

Manufacturer Name: Reading Truck Group LLC

Address: 201 Hancock Blvd., PO Box
650
Reading PA, 19607-0650

Total number of potentially involved: 10

Estimated percentage with defect: 100%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2023-2023 RAM 4500

Product Category: Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles

Product Type: Truck

Fuel / Propulsion: Spark Ignition Fuel

Production Dates: Jun 26, 2024 - Oct 10, 2024

Number of potentially involved: 10

Descriptive Information:

The recall population was based off a certain customer spec that specifically had the hitch component installed that was installed incorrectly.

All units on specific spec are being recalled.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

A Curt hitch (P/N 15400) was reported to have failed on a truck in the field. The hitch dropped the trailer load to the ground due to breakage in the material from improper mounting process.

FMVSS1:

FMVSS2:

Description of the safety risk, including crash, fire, death, injury:

Safety risks include unsecure trailer to chassis connection potentially resulting in loss of control of

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vehicle, crash or unsecure loads. These incidents could result in injury, dismemberment or death of driver, bystander or others and damage to the road or property.

Description of the cause:

The hitch was installed out of spec per the installation instructions. Only (4) of the required (6) bolt assemblies were utilized to secure the hitch to the OEM chassis.

Identification of any warning that can occur:

Some noticeable warnings include bending or cracking along the top return flange of the hitch side brackets, loosening, breaking or elongating hardware at rear mounting point and sagging or downward bending of the hitch profile.

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier:

Supplier Type: Distributor

Name: Curt Manufacturing LLC

Address: 6208 Industrial Drive
Eau Claire WI, 54701

Country: United States

Involved Components

Component Name 1: Xtra Duty Class 5 Hitch, 2" receiver

Component Description: Rated to 17,000 lbs. gross trailer weight and 2,550 lbs. tongue weight
Compatible with weight distribution hitch (17,000 lbs. WD / 2,550 lbs. WDTW) For Chevrolet, GMC, Dodge, Ram Trucks

Component Part Number: 15400

Chronology

Customer notified Reading Truck sales team of one failure of a hitch in the field on 9/4/2025.

Reading Truck sales notified the Reading Truck warranty department on 9/4/2025.

The total number of units were identified in the field that could potentially have the same issue on 9/4/2025.

Reading Truck warranty team notifies customer of the plan to replace each unit in the field and to not operate the vehicles until replacement is complete on 9/5/2025.

Reading Truck to submit completion of work notification to customer after replacement is complete.

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Related NHTSA Recall Number:

Description of Remedy

Remedy Type: Replace

Consumer Advisories: Do Not Drive Park Outside

Description of remedy program:

Replace all hitches installed by Reading Truck for particular customer build spec.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

Replacement hitches will be installed following the installation manual provided by Curt Manufacturing that requires (6) mounting connections to the OEM chassis and to torque all hardware to spec.

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

All units were shipped and are in the field. Reading Truck has coordinated replacement of all truck's hitches at local shops.

Reimbursement Plan

Description of reimbursement program:

Reading Truck to cover all expenses for the equipment and labor to install the replacement hitches.

Period of reimbursement:

Reading Truck to cover all costs.

Costs to be reimbursed:

\$0

Address for reimbursement claims:

825 East Wyomissing Boulevard
Reading PA, 19611

Recall Schedule

Description of recall schedule:

Reading Truck warranty department notified via email to the customer that Reading Truck will coordinate the replacements with the customer starting on 9/5/2025. A formal letter will be drafted and mailed to the customer highlighting the recall notification. Reading Truck has created a sign-off form for the shops doing the recall that verifies installation has been complete for each recalled unit.

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