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National Highway
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Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

25V848

Manufacturer Name: Great Dane Trailers

Submission Date: Jan 29, 2026

NHTSA Recall No.: 25V848

Manufacturer Recall No.: 25E-025

Manufacturer Information

Population

Manufacturer Name: Great Dane Trailers
Address: 602 E Lathrop Avenue
Savannah GA, 31415

Total number of potentially involved: 3
Estimated percentage with defect: 100%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2024-2025 GREAT DANE CHAMPION

Product Category: Trailers

Product Type: Van Trailers

Fuel / Propulsion:

Production Dates: Dec 14, 2023 - Jan 24, 2024

Number of potentially involved: 3

Descriptive Information:

Hiab USA Inc. ("Hiab") has decided that certain Waltco branded ZS series slide liftgates imported from Z Lyften Produktion AB may contain a safety related defect involving the cylinder-pivot pin. Accordingly, Hiab is conducting a voluntary safety recall. The affected liftgates are heavy-duty slide lifts with a single-folding platform designed for installation on trailers and semi-trailers. JBH Inc. installed three of these slide liftgates on new Great Dane trailers.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

On affected liftgates, the cylinder pivot pin may not have had adequate lubricant penetration during manufacturing. Cylinder-pivot pins with limited lubrication can in some circumstances result in the pin seizing in the bore, potentially causing the liftgate to malfunction or to fail under a load, which increases the risk of injury to the operator.

FMVSS1:

FMVSS2:

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

Insufficient lubrication may cause the lift cylinder pin to seize, potentially causing the liftgate to malfunction or fail under the load.

Description of the cause:

Identification of any warning that can occur:

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier: Tier 1

Supplier Type: OEM

Name: Hiab USA Inc.

Address: 1777 Miller Parkway
Streetsboro OH, 44241

Country: United States

Involved Components

Component Name 1: Waltco Model No.: ZS-33

Component Description: Heavy-duty slide lifts with a single-folding platform

Component Part Number: ZS-MK2SLI 2000-155

Component Name 2: Waltco Model No.: ZS-44

Component Description: Heavy-duty slide lifts with a single-folding platform

Component Part Number: ZS-MK2STD 2000-155)

Chronology

December 03, 2025 Great Dane was notified by NHTSA of Haib USA Inc. recall 25E025, and that some of our trailers may have had recalled lift gates installed on them.

December 03, 2025 Great Dane reviewed the recall information and determined that while no recalled components were shipped to Great Dane directly, some quantity were shipped to to a third party installer (JBH Inc.) to be installed on new Great Dane trailers.

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December 03, 2025 Great Dane contacted JBH to determine which trailers may have recalled liftgates installed

December 05, 2025 Great Dane had a meeting with a NHTSA representative to discuss and clarify recall filing responsibility in this case

December 09, 2025 Great Dane files initial notice of defect

Related NHTSA Recall Number: 25E025

Description of Remedy

Remedy Type: Replace

Consumer Advisories: Do Not Drive Park Outside

Description of remedy program:

Hiab has released a redesigned lift cylinder pin with integrated grease ports. The original lift cylinder pins must be replaced by the redesigned pins with grease zerk and channels for the liftgates identified in the Safety and Repair Instructions file provided by Hiab.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

The redesigned lift cylinder pin has integrated grease ports unlike the recalled lift cylinder pin.

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

Great Dane was notified 12/03/2025 that Hiab USA Inc. ("Hiab") had decided that certain Waltco branded ZS series slide liftgates imported from Z Lyften Produktion AB may contain a safety related defect involving the cylinder-pivot pin. Accordingly, Hiab is conducting a voluntary safety recall. We received a copy of their letter because their records show that JBH Inc received potentially affected liftgates that were slated for installation of Great Dane trailers.

Reimbursement Plan

Description of reimbursement program:

Normal warranty procedures apply in this matter. Hiab-Waltco is administering this recall directly. Claims should be submitted to Warranty Claims online at www.waltcoliftgates.com.

Period of reimbursement:

All warranty claims related to this campaign must be submitted to Hiab-Waltco warranty department within six months of the date of the repair.

Costs to be reimbursed:

The replacement of the two lift cylinder pins will be compensated with 1.5 working hours per liftgate. If the pins are seized, an additional 30 minutes per seized pin will be authorized. If additional time is required to complete the remedy, contact Waltco Warranty for supplemental labor authorization.

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Recall Schedule

Description of recall schedule:

Great Dane plans to have all notifications complete by February 3, 2026. Hiab/Waltco will be administering this recall directly, and will be performing the quarterly reports on Great Dane's behalf.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: No Dealers**Planned Interim Owner Notification Date:** No Owners**Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date:** Feb 02, 2026 - Feb 02, 2026 Phased Recall**Date when VIN will be searchable:**