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IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

Subject: **Safety Recall Campaign # 26V269**

Dear Lode King Customer,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the *Motor Vehicle Safety Act*.

Lode-King Industries has decided that certain 2019-2026 SDG53-3, SDF53-3, and SDG50-2 trailers may fail to conform to Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 223. "Rear Impact Guards".

Details are as follows:

a. The name of the company giving notice is:
Triple E Canada Ltd.
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b. Trailer VIN: 2LDSD502XLG067769
Make: Lode King Model: SDG50-2 Model Year: 2020

Trailer VIN: 2LDSD5026LG067770
Make: Lode King Model: SDG50-2 Model Year: 2020

Trailer VIN: 2LDSD5028LG067771
Make: Lode King Model: SDG50-2 Model Year: 2020

Trailer VIN: 2LDSD502XLG067772
Make: Lode King Model: SDG50-2 Model Year: 2020

Trailer VIN: 2LDSD5023SG079342
Make: Lode King Model: SDG50-2 Model Year: 2025

c. This non-compliance relates to the welding employed to attach the Rear Impact Guard (RIG) of the trailer. A weld may be missing that needs to be added.

d. On certain SDF and SDG model step-deck and certain PFL flat deck semi-trailers, the Rear Impact Guard of the trailer may not be fully welded.

e. The vehicle system that is affected is the Rear Impact Guard. In accordance with motor vehicle safety standard 223, the RIG must be able to withstand an impact force of 50,000 Newtons when applied to the bumper. If this item is not fully welded, it may fail prematurely in the event of a rear end collision. A key weld between the bumper upright and the rear bolster of the trailer may be missing. See the accompanying illustration. This was an error of omission during the manufacturing process.

f. In the event of a rear end collision the RIG could fail prematurely, possibly allowing the impacting vehicle to encroach underneath the trailer frame, creating a risk of injury and a road hazard for others.

g. In normal service it is not expected that these missing welds will cause any problems. It is during a crash, when exerted loads may be many times higher than normal service, that this problem could be encountered.

h. The corrective action for this deficiency is to simply add the missing welds on the RIG uprights where they meet the rear bolster. A touch up of the paint after welding will restore the appearance of the area; no additional parts are required; free of charge. This can be done at a local trailer repair facility or you may do it yourself. Lode King will pay for this inspection and repair. Please contact our Service and Warranty Manager noted below, to make arrangements for cost reimbursement.

i. We estimate it should take two (2) hours of labour time to add the missing welds and touch up the paint.

j. If you are a semi-trailer lessor, Federal Law requires that any lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten (10) working days. If you know the current owner or operator, please forward this letter to them.

Our point of contact here at Lode King for this Recall will be Mr. Randall Siemens, Customer Service & Warranty Manager, ph. 1-866-797-0669 or by email at rsiemens@lodeking.com .

If you believe that the Lode-King Industries has failed to remedy this defect without charge or is unable to do so within a reasonable time, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, D.C. 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-888-275-9171); or on the web go to http://www.safercar.gov.

We look forward to working with you to swiftly address this issue and get this corrective action in place.

Yours truly,
Lode King Industries

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