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UTILITY TRAILER MANUFACTURING CO.

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PINTLE HOOK LOOP for the Secondary (Safety) Chain – INSPECTION

UTM Reference: #370258

Due to suspected flawed material in the pintle hook loop for the secondary (safety) chain, this Service Bulletin provides instructions for inspecting the loop on the following trailers:

- Dry Vans built between April 2012 and April 2013
- Reefer Vans built between April 2011 and May 2013

Trailer Identification:

Applicable trailers can be identified in the WCS by the above reference number (370258) or by Trailer Serial Number. If you are unsure, contact Field Service Department at 800-423-6591.

Requirements and Labor Allowance: Per UTM Ref. No. 370258.

Note: Failure to provide the complete requirements will delay processing.

Any questions regarding this service bulletin should be directed to Utility's Field Service Department at 800-423-6591.

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Inspection Procedure:

The inspection consists of striking the loop in two directions (forward and rearward) with a 10 lbs. sledge hammer. The impacts should leave an impression on the loop but should not crack it. If the impressions are clearly visible and the loop does not crack, the loop passes the test.

Tools Needed:

- Safety Glasses
- Gloves
- 10 lbs. Sledge Hammer

Field Test Procedure (1):

- Stand at the rear of the trailer perpendicular to the pintle hook loop.
- Swing the 10 lbs. sledge and strike the safety loop's rearward surface, striking towards the front of the trailer.
- The impact should leave a mark but not crack the loop in any location.
- Inspect for cracks at the welds to the box beam and any cracks to the loop.



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Field Test Procedure (2):

- Repeat sledge hammer strike procedure on the rearward surface of the loop, striking towards the rear of the trailer.
- The impact should leave a mark but not crack the loop in any location.
- Inspect for cracks at the welds to the box beam and any cracks to the loop.



Replacement:

- If you observe any cracks on the pintle hook loop, remove and replace the loop, as follows:
 - Vans and reefers with 1-1/4" diameter loop: [PN 03-5300-027](#)

Example of flat mark from sledge hammer impact.



Example of loop not passing inspection – for brittle material

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Installation:

- Weld detail as follows:

