

June X, 2021

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE #21V-269

OWNER ADDRESS

Attention: Mr. XX

Re: Defect Information Report by Manac Inc. ("Manac") - NHTSA ID #21V-269 Defect in Dexter Smart-Steer 2.0 Self-Steer Axle

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Manac inc. ("Manac") is recalling certain 2018-2019 Steel Platforms (10450A140), 2019 Transfer Trailer (36453C038), and 2019 Square Dump Trailer (41336B739). The steer arm bolts may break, allowing the steer arm to detach from the steering knuckle. Following receipt of a notice of safety recall from his supplier Dexter Trailer Products of Canada Corporation ("Dexter") in connection with the Dexter Smart-Steer 2.0 self-steer axle, Manac, has determined that a defective part which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain trailers registered in the United States of America and all of which were manufactured in Saint-Georges, Quebec (Canada) (the "Affected Units").

! IMPORTANT!

- One or more of your Manac[®] trailers are being recalled.
- Please contact the nearest Dexter authorized facility, see attached list, as soon as possible to coordinate the correction of your unit(s).

SEE APPENDIX A FOR THE LIST OF YOUR AFFECTED UNIT(S)

Description of defects and risk to motor vehicle safety:

Manac extend a voluntary safety recall campaign involving the Dexter Smart-Steer 2.0 self-steer axle which was manufactured by Dexter. Under certain heavy loading conditions, the bolts attaching the steer arm to the knuckle can potentially shear. If this condition occurs, the steer arm will detach from the knuckle on the affected side and potentially drag along the ground. In some cases, the sheared section of the steer arm bolt will dislodge from the steer arm and fall to the ground therefore increasing the risk of cargo damage or loss, crash, property damage or loss, bodily injury, and death. According to the notice received from Dexter, at no time will the vehicle and the trailer become uncontrollable and the operator will be able to safely operate until they can secure the axle under the Affected Unit(s).

Precautions you should take:

Owners / operators should immediately proceed with a visual inspection of their Affected Units to ensure that the self-steering axles and their components are in good condition. In the event that the



visual inspection shows that one or more axle(s) components are damaged, weakened, bent, loose, missing, or showing signs of wear, tear, or other breakage or damage, you should refrain from operating your unit and communicate immediately with the nearest Dexter authorized facility to make the appropriate corrections. We strongly suggest that owners / operators perform such an inspection on their Affected Units on a regular basis until the correction has been made by a Dexter authorized facility.

Remedial actions/measures:

The correction, which is outlined in the Service Bulletin SB009R, must be performed at a Dexter authorized facility by a qualified welder. Please contact the nearest Dexter authorized facility to make arrangements for the correction of your Affected Unit(s) in a repair facility suitable to your operating region. Dexter will consider authorizing additional facilities if there is none in your area. Dexter authorized facilities will weld the steering arm to the knuckle. Dexter is conducting a voluntary safety recall at no charge to the owners.

If you are the lessor of the Affected Unit(s), please forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days to comply with federal regulations.

If you are no longer the owner of the Affected Unit(s), please provide Manac with the contact information of the current owner(s) as soon as possible.

If you have already paid to have your trailers repaired in relation to the present recall, you may be eligible for reimbursement of the charges you paid for the correction. Please contact Dexter for further information.

If the authorized facility has failed or is unable to remedy the defect without charge and 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 Vehicle Safety Hotline at 888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to: <u>https://www.safecar.gov</u>.

We apologize for any inconvenience this safety recall may cause, but safety is our first concern.

Please do not hesitate to contact Phil Schnurr from Dexter at 1 (226) 242-5345 or via <u>recallsb009r@dexteraxle.com</u> if you have any questions regarding the foregoing or with Hans Lavoie from Manac at 1-800-361-7900 or via email at: <u>Hans.lavoie@manac.com</u>.

Sincerely,

MANAC INC. WARRANTY DEPARTMENT

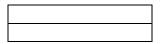
Attached documents: List of Dexter authorized facilities Service Bulletin SB009R



APPENDIX A

LIST OF VIN NUMBERS FOR MANAC® TRAILERS AFFECTED NHTSA ID #21V-269

The VIN numbers of your Affected Unit(s) involved in the recall are the following:



Approved Facilities for PB009R Steering Arm Repairs

<u>CANADA</u>

NEW BRUNSWICK

Trans East TrailersContact:Jim MullettTel:506.854.2225

368 Urquhart Ave Moncton, NB E1H 2R6

Valley EquipmentContact:John LawrenceTel:506.375.3827

289 McLean Ave Hartland, NB E7P 2K7

NOVA SCOTIA

East Coast International		
Contact:	Kevin Ball	
Tel:	902.468.7160	

1 Morris Drive Dartmouth, NS B3B 1K7

East Coast InternationalContact:Kevin BallTel:902.895.0507

30 Chief Joseph Julien Court Millbrook, NS B6L 2H3

ONTARIO

Central Equipment Sales and Service Contact: Nick Eveley Tel: 905.667.8306

380 Grays Rd Hamilton, ON L8E 4H6

IRS Truck and Trailer RepairContact:Bob DawsonTel:905.643.8200

344 Fruitland Rd Stoney Creek, ON L8E 5M8

MANAC

Contact:Chris SleczkowskiTel:416.240.0559

130 Belfield Rd Etobicoke, ON M9W 1G1

Sudbury Truck & Trailer Center Inc Contact: Walter Schroder Tel: 705.673.3613

902 Newgate Ave Sudbury, ON P3A 5J9

TankmartContact:Johnathan RansomTel:905.465.1355

4420 South Service Rd Burlington, ON

Transit Trailer LTDContact:Gord Mc LeodTel:519.748.5129

70 Adam Ferrie Rd Kitchener ON N2E 2A9

Whelan Truck Repair IncContact:Ryan WhelanTel:613.831.7677

158 Cardevco Rd Carp, ON K0A1LO

QUEBEC

Camion Remorque Revan Inc Contact: Roland Tel: 418.837.2473

900 Rue des Calfats Levis, QC G6Y 9E6

Centre du Camion Mabo Contact: Heidi Gagné Tel: 819.768.2008

1907, boul. Rideau Rouyn-Noranda, QC J0Z 1Y1

Centre du Camion Mabo Contact: Christian Morissette Tel: 819.825.8995

3100 blvd Jean-Jacques Cossette Val-d'Or, QC J9P 6Y6

Centre du Camion ProCam			
Contact:	Félicia Gagnon	160 Rue des Routiers	
Tel:	418.693.0123	Chicoutimi, QC G7H 5B1	
Le Centre Routier 1994			
Contact:	Daniel Boucher	375 Rue Témiscouata,	
Tel:	418 862-7231	Rivières-du-Loup, QC G5R 3Z5	
		03K 323	
Pierquip			
Contact:	Mathieu Michaud	16079 Boul cure' Labelle	
Tel:	450.438.6400	RTE 117 Mirabel, QC	
		J7J 2G6	
Garage Gilles Roy			
Contact:	Francois Fortin	10800 Boulevard Lacroix	
Tel:	418.228.2235	St. Georges, QC G5Y 1K3	
Ressorts Maska			
Contact:	Jean-Marc Chevrette	2890 Boulevard Laurier EST	
Tel:	450.774.7511	Saint-Hyacinthe, QC J2R 1P8	

Service RemtecContact:Francois MartelTel:514.642.6020

3560 39e Ave Montreal, QC H1A 3V1

Techno Diesel Contact: Patrick St-Aubin Tel: 450.759.3709; option#3

1260 Chemin des Prairies Joliette, QC J6E 0L4

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