

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

October 29, 2021

Mr. Ty Hanten Director of Quality Trail King Industries, Inc. 300 East Norway Mitchell, SD 57301 NEF-107MR 21V-813

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Cracked Suspension Beams May Loosen or Detach

Dear Mr. Hanten:

This letter serves to acknowledge Trail King Industries, Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

TRAIL KING/AACS/2015-2020 TRAIL KING/ACS/2015-2020

Mfr's Report Date: October 15, 2021

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V-813

Components:

SUSPENSION: MULTIPLE AXLE SUSPENSION: REAR

Potential Number of Units Affected: 209

Problem Description:

Trail King Industries, Inc. (Trail King) is recalling certain 2015-2020 TK70AACS, TK80AACS, TK85ACS, and AACS-38 trailers. The rear sliding-axle suspension beams may contact the frame reinforcement and crack, possibly resulting in the suspension beams coming loose or detaching from the frame bracket.

Consequence:

Loose or detached suspension beams can increase the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Dealers will add reinforcements between the hanger and the slide pan, and inspect and repair any cracks as necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed on November 8, 2021. Owners may contact Trail King's customer service at 1-800-843-3324. Trail King's number for this recall is TK202105.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.nhtsa.gov.



Please ensure the following requirements are met:

Your company's program shall include a plan for reimbursing an owner or purchaser who incurred costs to obtain a remedy for the problem addressed by the recall within a reasonable time in advance of your company's notification of owners, purchasers and dealers, in accordance with § 573.13. Your company's plan may incorporate by reference a general reimbursement plan it previously submitted to NHTSA, together with information specific to the individual recall. Information required by § 573.13 that is not in a general reimbursement plan shall be submitted in your company's report to NHTSA. If your company submits one or more general reimbursement plans, your company shall update each plan every two years (§ 573.13). If the vehicles are new and would be covered under the manufacturer's warranty program, please state that in the remedy section of your filing.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

We have received Trail King's proposed owner notification letter and have approved it for distribution.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Trail King Industries, Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement

