

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

June 24, 2022

Mr. Tom Lilly
Kaufman Trailers of NC, Inc.
702 North Silver Street
Lexington, NC 27292

NEF-107MR
22V-421

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Insufficient Welds On Ramp Holding Brackets

Dear Mr. Lilly:

This letter serves to acknowledge Kaufman Trailers of NC, 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:

KAUFMAN/FXSG-10K-20D/2018-2021 KAUFMAN/FXSG-10K-20D-SC/2018-2021

Mfr's Report Date: June 14, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-421

Components: STRUCTURE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 235

Problem Description:

Kaufman Trailers of NC, Inc. (Kaufman) is recalling certain 2018-2021 FXSG-10K-20D and FXSG-10KK-20D-SC trailers. The welds on the ramp holding bracket may be insufficient.

Consequence:

A broken bracket may allow the ramp to fall during use, increasing the risk of injury.

Remedy:

Dealers will provide instructions on how to reinforce the welds, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed in June 2022. Owners may contact Kaufman's customer service at 1-336-790-6800.

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.

Per the requirements of 49 USC 30119, please provide the part number, name and description of the component or components involved in this recall. This information should be provided in an amended 573 in the "Involved Components" section.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

We have received Kaufman'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 eight 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.

Kaufman Trailers of NC, 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

