

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

NHTSA SAFETY RECALL NUMBER 23V-008



March 17, 2023

Dear «MODEL» owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the U.S. National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Vermeer MV Solutions, Inc. has decided that certain model year 2013 – 2021 McLaughlin or Vermeer «MODEL» vacuum excavator fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards No. 223, 224, 108. The model and serial number are shown at the top center of this letter.

REAR IMPACT GUARD AND LIGHTING NONCOMPLIANCE

Affected vacuum excavation trailers were designed with rear impact guards and lighting that do not conform to the requirements of FMVSS 223, 224 and 108.

IMMEDIATE MACHINE MODIFICATIONS REQUIRED

VMV000056 has been created to provide the necessary parts and instructions to bring the rear impact guards and lighting into compliance with the requirements of FMVSS 223, 224 and 108. **The kit must be installed as soon as possible.** Vermeer Corporation is administering this product safety alert on behalf of Vermeer MV Solutions, Inc.

Please be reminded that it is a violation of Federal law for you to sell or lease the machines covered by this notification until this recall has been performed on these machines. Substantial civil penalties apply to violations of this law.

Please contact your authorized independent **Vermeer dealer** immediately to arrange a mutually acceptable time and location to install VMV000056 **at no cost** to you for labor or materials. The installation of this kit is estimated at 8 hours of labor. If the Vermeer dealer travels to the unit to install the kit, costs may be incurred by the owner. **You must have your machine upgraded for these safety features.**

Contact your local Vermeer dealer: «Service_Dealer_Name»
«Serv_Dealer_Add1» «Serv_Dealer_Add2»
«Serv_Dealer_City» «Serv_Dealer_St» «Serv_Dealer_Zip»
«SERV_DEALER_COUNTRY»
Telephone: «Serv_Dealer_Phone»

If you no longer own this unit, please notify the product safety and compliance department at:

Toll-free: 800-829-0051, option 1

Telephone: 641-621-7060

Email: productsafety@vermeer.com

If possible, please provide the name and address of the new owner.

We regret any inconvenience these corrective measures may cause you. The required work is to ensure your machine is in compliance with applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards.

Federal regulations require that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten (10) days.

If the authorized dealer has failed or is unable to remedy the defect without charge and within a reasonable time, contact Vermeer Product Safety by email at productsafety@vermeer.com or by calling 800-829-0051 or 641-621-7060. You may also 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 <http://www.safercar.gov>.

Regards,

PRODUCT COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT