



U.S. Department of Transportation
**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Mr. Rick Van Laar
Compliance Manager
Navistar, Inc.
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NVS-215KS
13V-439

Subject: Trailer May Release from Fifth Wheel

Dear Mr. Van Laar:

This letter serves to acknowledge Navistar, 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:

INTERNATIONAL/LONESTAR/2008-2013
INTERNATIONAL/PROSTAR/2008-2013
INTERNATIONAL/TRANSTAR/2008-2013

Mfr's Report Date: September 18, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V-439

Components:

EQUIPMENT
TRAILER HITCHES:FIFTH WHEEL ASSEMBLY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 16,107

Problem Description:

Navistar, Inc. is recalling certain model year 2008-2013 International LoneStar, ProStar, and TranStar trucks manufactured February 20, 2008, through July 29, 2013 and equipped with an electronic fifth wheel jaw release system (feature code 0595BAW or 0595BAY). Due to an assembly error, the air lines at the isolation/vent valve may not be oriented correctly.

Consequence:

Because of the improper orientation, in the event of an air leakage at the isolation/vent valve, the 5th wheel jaw may release, unexpectedly releasing the trailer from the tractor, increasing the risk of a vehicle crash.

Remedy:

Navistar will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the air line routing. If necessary, the air line routing will be corrected free of charge. The recall began on October 10, 2013. Owners may contact Navistar at 1-331-332-1590. Navistar's recall number is 13514.

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.safercar.gov.



We understand that due to the government shutdown, owner notification commenced prior to our review of the owner notification letter. Should it become necessary for Navistar to do a renotification, the follow-up notification must be submitted to this office for review and it must comply with the requirements of Part 577.5, "Notification pursuant to a manufacturer's decision" and Part 577.10, "Follow-up notification."

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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.

On August 20, 2013, NHTSA announced new changes to the requirements governing safety recalls. Some of these requirements take effect as early as October 2013. Please ensure your company will be in compliance with each requirement on, or before, its respective effective date. For a summary of the requirements and their effective dates please click on the "New!" link at <http://www.safercar.gov/Vehicle+Manufacturers>.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement