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REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER 49 CFR PART 573**

Assigned Recall No. 00V-102.003 by the  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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Part 573 Report Date: May 17, 2000

Manufacturer: **Utility Trailer Manufacturing Company**

Manufacturer Contact: **Ms. Grace Garcia, Field Service Coordinator**

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In reviewing our files, it appears that the wrong recall number was assigned to this campaign. The correct number for your campaign (was: 00V-150.001) should be **00V-102.003**. Sorry for any inconvenience this has caused.

If you have any questions, please call:

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This is an **initial** acknowledgment for this recall. A formal acknowledgment letter will be forthcoming shortly. After our review of your report and associated documents, we may have additional comments or concerns.

Please provide the draft owner notification letter so we can review it before it is mailed to owners.

As stated in Part 573.6, 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**. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin June 15, 2000. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due in this office by July 30, 2000.

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