

**SERVICE BULLETIN #06-18-04
TRAILMOBILE TRAILER SAFETY DEFECT**

TO: All Dealers to whom it may concern

The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, as amended, provides that each vehicle which is subject to a recall campaign of this type must be adequately repaired within a reasonable time after has tendered it for repair. Failure to repair within sixty (60) days after tender of a vehicle is prima facie evidence of failure to repair within a reasonable time.

If the condition is not adequately repaired within a reasonable time, the owner may be entitled to an identical or reasonable equivalent vehicle at no charge or to a refund of the purchase price less a reasonable allowance for depreciation.

To avoid having to provide these burdensome solutions, every effort must be made to promptly schedule an appointment with each owner and to repair their vehicle as soon as possible. As you will see in reading the attached copy of the letter that is being sent to owners, the owners are being instructed to contact the Trailmobile Customer Service if their dealer does not remedy the condition within three (3) days of the mutually agreed upon service date. If this condition is not remedied within a reasonable time, they are instructed on how to contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

A Safety Recall Notice letter will be sent to all customers with unit(s) that have been identified in this safety recall within the next few days.

DEFECT INVOLVED:

Trailmobile Canada Ltd. has determined that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain 2004 & 2005 model year vehicles. These vehicles have a short push rod on the brake chambers which can cause a weak braking condition.

To repair the subject units, a push rod connector extension P/N RB-PRC must be added to the brake chamber push rod to increase the total length of the push rod to the correct overall required length.

VEHICLES INVOLVED:

Involved are certain 2004 & 2005 equipped with brake chambers P/N 6017-37-103 built within the following VIN breakpoints:

Beginning: 2MN01AAH541004660

Ending: 2MN01JAH651005383

[Involved vehicles have been identified by Vehicle Identification Number Computer Listings. Computer listings contain the complete Vehicle Identification Number, owner name and address data, and are furnished to involved dealers with the Safety Recall Notice. Owner name and address data furnished will enable dealers to follow-up with owners involved in this campaign.]

The Following Repair Guideline Must Be Made to Eliminate the Defect of Short Push Rod on Brake Chamber P/N 6017-37-103.

Description of Defect:

Brake chamber push rod length is 2 ½" too short.

Remedy of Defect:

Increase brake chamber push rod length 2 ½" by adding a push rod connector extension P/N RB-PRC to the brake chamber push rod.

Repair Procedure:

Note! Before repair procedure, brake chamber set in caged position with slack adjuster in released position.

- 1). Remove clevis from slack adjuster.
- 2). Back off jam nut on push rod and remove clevis from brake chamber push rod.
- 3). Thread jam nut down on push rod approximately 1 ¼" from end of push rod.
- 4). Thread the push rod connector extension onto brake chamber push rod until push rod bottoms out into the push rod connector extension.
- 5). Thread clevis onto the push rod connector extension and down against the push rod connector extension hex body. Tighten clevis against the push rod connector extension to 400-600 inch pounds.
- 6). Orient clevis to slack adjuster by rotating the push rod connector extension on the push rod and reattach the clevis to the slack adjuster.
- 7). Once clevis and slack adjuster are connected, tighten jam nut on push rod to the push rod connector extension to 400-600 inch pounds.
- 8). To verify overall length of brake chamber push rod, measure push rod and the push rod connector extension from face of brake chamber to end of repair coupling with brake chamber in uncaged position. Measurement to be 8 1/16" +/- 1/8" (caged position dimension to be 5 9/16" +/- 1/8").
- 9). Readjust brakes per slack adjuster manufacturer recommendation.
- 10). Uncage spring brakes and check for proper brake operation by cycling brake application before returning vehicle to service.

Obtaining Parts and Reimbursement

All units that are identified in recall and repaired must be identified by VIN to get reimbursement.

Any unit identified in recall must be repaired before the unit can be sold or offender is subject to penalty by law.

Repair Part Required

Push Rod Connector Extension Part Number RB-PRC

(1) push rod connector extension part required per chamber

A Tandem Trailer will require (4) pieces

A Single Axle Trailer will require (2) pieces

How to Get Part

Call Trailmobile Service Center 800-823-3181

Request Warranty Department

Identify recall ID

Identify dealer ID

Identify unit VIN(s)

Request push rod connector part quantity required

Identify party to receive parts

How to Get Reimbursed

File through the Warranty System

Electronic submissions preferred, Electronic warranty claim form can be downloaded from the Trailmobile Web page (www.trailmobile.com). Click on "Warranty Reg" button.

Reimbursement hours will be 0.5 hrs per axle.

Identify unit VIN(s) repaired



BEFORE MODIFICATION WITH BRAKE APPLIED



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SHOWING RB-PRC PUSH ROD CONNECTOR
EXTENSION INSTALLED**