SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

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SAFETY RECALL RVXX0105
JULY 2001

Dear Volvo Truck Owner:

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

Volvo Trucks North America, Inc. has decided that a defect that relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain VHD axle forward model vehicles built between March 23, 2000, and June 5, 2001.

SAFETY DEFECT:	The lower steering shaft in some instances may side load the steering gear input shaft.
POTENTIAL RISK:	This condition may result in non-uniform steering wheel efforts when turning the steering wheel, in addition once the steering wheel turn is initiated, the vehicle may continue turning without returning to the straight ahead position without driver effort creating the potential for loss of steering and an accident with little or no warning.
PRECAUTION YOU CAN TAKE:	There are no precautions you can take other than having the lower steering shaft replaced.
REPAIR:	At no charge to you regardless of your vehicle's age or mileage, a Volvo truck dealer will replace the lower steering shaft on your vehicle.
TIME REQUIRED FOR THE REPAIR:	The labor time required to repair your vehicle is about one hour.
WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:	Volvo Trucks North America, Inc. ***urges*** you to immediately contact a Volvo truck dealer for a service appointment to have your vehicle repaired. Parts are currently available for shipment to the dealer scheduling your service appointment.

Volvo Trucks North America, Inc.
7900 National Service Rd.
PO Box 26115
Greensboro, NC 27402-6115

NOTICE REGARDING LEASED VEHICLES: If you are a Lessor of vehicles subject to this Notice, you have an obligation under Federal Law to provide a copy of this Notice to all Lessees within 10 days of your receipt of this Notice. Further, you must maintain a record which identifies the Lessee(s) to whom you send a copy of this letter, the date you send this letter, and the Vehicle Identification Number(s) of the vehicle(s) that you have leased to that Lessee. For purposes of this Notice, the term Lessor means: a person or entity that is the owner, as reflected on the vehicle's title, of any five or more leased vehicles (as defined in 49 CFR Section 577.4), as of the date of notification by the manufacturer of the existence of a safety-related defect or non-compliance with a Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard in one or more of the leased motor vehicles.

OWNER RECALL RESPONSE CARD: The enclosed "Owner Recall Response Card" identifies your vehicle. Presentation of this card to your dealer will assist in the processing of your vehicle in the shortest time possible. If you do not own, have sold or have traded the vehicle identified, please let us know by completing, and signing the postage-paid Card and returning it to Volvo Trucks North America, Inc. so we can update our records.

ASSISTANCE: If your vehicle has not been modified within a reasonable time after delivering it to the dealer on the agreed-upon date, please contact:

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Recall Department
P.O. Box 26115
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or call our toll-free number: 1-800-528-6586. You may also submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington DC 20590 or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hot Line at 1-800-424-9393.

We regret any inconvenience this recall may cause, but hope you will share in our concern for your safety and satisfaction with your vehicle.

Sincerely,
Volvo Trucks North America, Inc.