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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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PO BOX 26115
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NVS-215
06V-319

Subject: FMVSS 121/SPRING BRAKE MODULATING VALVE

Dear MR. LAFON:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent noncompliance information report. 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:
MACK/CV/2005-2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-319

Mfg's Report Date: August 18, 2006

Components: SERVICE BRAKES: AIR

Potential Number of Units Affected: 108

Summary:

CERTAIN TRUCKS EQUIPPED WITH A FRONT GLAD HAND OPTION FAIL TO COMPLY WITH THE PERFORMANCE CRITERIA REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NO. 121, 'AIR BRAKE SYSTEMS.'

Consequence:

THE PURPOSE OF THIS STANDARD IS TO INSURE SAFE BRAKING PERFORMANCE UNDER NORMAL AND EMERGENCY CONDITIONS.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE SPRING BRAKE MODULATING VALVE FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 29, 2006. OWNERS MAY CONTACT MACK TRUCK AT 1-800-528-6586.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

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. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin on September 29, 2006. Since this is at the end of the quarter, the first quarterly report will be due on or before January 30, 2007.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at patricia.wallace@dot.gov or delia.lopez@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



 George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement