



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

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NVS-215MR
15E-076

Subject: Torsion Arm Assembly may Detach from Trailer

Dear Mr. Sigety:

This letter serves to acknowledge Henderson Wheel & Trailer Supply 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:

HENDERSON/TORSION ARM ASSEMBLY/9999

Mfr's Report Date: September 17, 2015

NHTSA Campaign Number: 15E-076

Components:

SUSPENSION:REAR:AXLE:NON-POWERED AXLE ASSEMBLY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 600

Problem Description:

Henderson Wheel & Trailer Supply Inc. (Henderson Wheel) is recalling certain torsion arm assemblies, part numbers B-7100A, B-7110A, HT-35XL, T35545EB, T35545I, T35550EB, T35550HB, T35550I, T35655EB and T35655I, manufactured February 18, 2015 to August 25, 2015. The torsion arm of the assembly was made too small for its housing, and as a result, the torsion arm, spindle, and tire and wheel assemblies may detach from the trailer.

Consequence:

A separation of the torsion arm can result in a loss of trailer stability and control, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Henderson Wheel will notify the trailer manufacturers that used the affected axles in their trailer production. Those companies will notify their customers and will reinforce or replace the torsion arm assemblies, as necessary, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact Henderson Wheel customer service at 1-801-486-4916.

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.

Please 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).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

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.

Your contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by phone at 202-366-1060, or by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

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