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NVS-215
05V-564

Subject: WEBB WHEEL/BRAKE DRUMS

Dear MS. KERNEY:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this is the information that will be made available to the public.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

WABASH/CHASSIS/2002
WABASH/TRAILER/2003

NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-564

Mfg's Report Date: January 26, 2004

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC:FOUNDATION COMPONENTS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 6

Summary:

ON CERTAIN TRAILERS EQUIPPED WITH WEBB WHEEL PLATINUM SERIES BRAKE DRUMS, THE BRAKE DRUMS COULD CRACK ON THE BRAKING SURFACE.

Consequence:

THIS COULD RESULT IN REDUCTION OR COMPLETE LOSS OF BRAKING WHICH COULD RESULT IN A VEHICLE CRASH.

Remedy:

WEBB WHEEL WILL INSPECT AND REPLACE THE BRAKE DRUMS FREE OF CHARGE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT WEBB WHEEL AT 1-800-633-3256 OR WABASH AT 765-771-5563.

Notes:

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

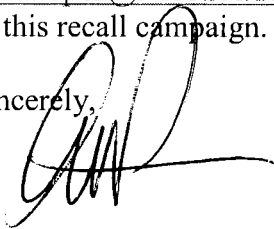
The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

This recall was the subject of an Equipment Query, EQ04-022, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

As stated in your report, Webb Wheel will be handling the owner notification, remedy, and quarterly reporting for this campaign. However, please be advised that 49 CFR 573.5 provides that the vehicle manufacturer is responsible for any safety related defect or any noncompliance in the vehicle or any item of original equipment. If Webb Wheel's campaign is not satisfactory, you may be required to conduct a follow-up notification.

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@nhtsa.dot.gov or delia.lopez@NHTSA.dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



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