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Via Express Mail, Facsimile, & E-Mail

**Subject: URGENT Safety Recall Notice — EXTREME MECHANICAL HAZARD
Model 1241W, 1259W, and 1541W Winches
Require Immediate Inspection for Missing Critical Part**

Tulsa Winch has discovered that some of its Model 1241W, 1259W, and 1541W winches were delivered to customers with an assembly error. The units in question are missing a retaining ring from the brake driver. Without the retaining ring, the input sun gear can become disengaged from the input planetary gear set. When that happens, the winch will drop its load.

This failure will occur unpredictably and CAN CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH. Affected units may operate satisfactorily for many lift cycles before a failure. ***The extreme hazard presented by this condition requires that affected units be withdrawn from service immediately and that they not be used again until they have been inspected and, if missing the retaining ring, repaired.***

We have isolated the assembly error to units that were manufactured between August 2005 and April 2006. We have identified those units by serial number and a spreadsheet listing the serial numbers and date of shipment for the affected units that were delivered to you is attached. Also attached is a form of notice to end-users describing the problem and the corrective action to be taken.

We ask that you:

1. Inspect your inventory, isolate and repair those units that are missing the retaining ring.
2. Immediately trace any affected units that you have sold to identify the end-users who have them.

Each end-user must receive the attached notice. Each must also be contacted by telephone or e-mail to confirm that they have received the notice and have acted on it and to provide any assistance that they may need to ensure that all affected units are inspected and repaired. We are eager to get these critical tasks accomplished as soon as possible and will work with you to locate them so that they will be done quickly and effectively. Please call at (918) 298-8335 with any questions, concerns, or if any additional information is needed.

We regret very much this manufacturing error and are committed to working with you to take the necessary corrective action to fix it and to avoid injuries or damage to your customers.

Very truly yours,

Dave Jackson