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BABIES!"

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Mr. Coleman:

Spudnik Equipment Co., is adding a new type of self unloading, bulk commodity semi trailer to its line of trailers. The type code letter designation has been expanded to include a 'C', for chain bulk bed as shown on the enclosed, revised Vehicle Identification Number calculation sheet.

Except for the type designation as noted above, the remainder of the semi trailer description, including weight ratings, load types, axles, rims, and tires, remains unchanged from the description of our belted bulk bed type of semi trailer (copy enclosed).

Please review this information and advise if there are any difficulties with this type designation.

Thank you.

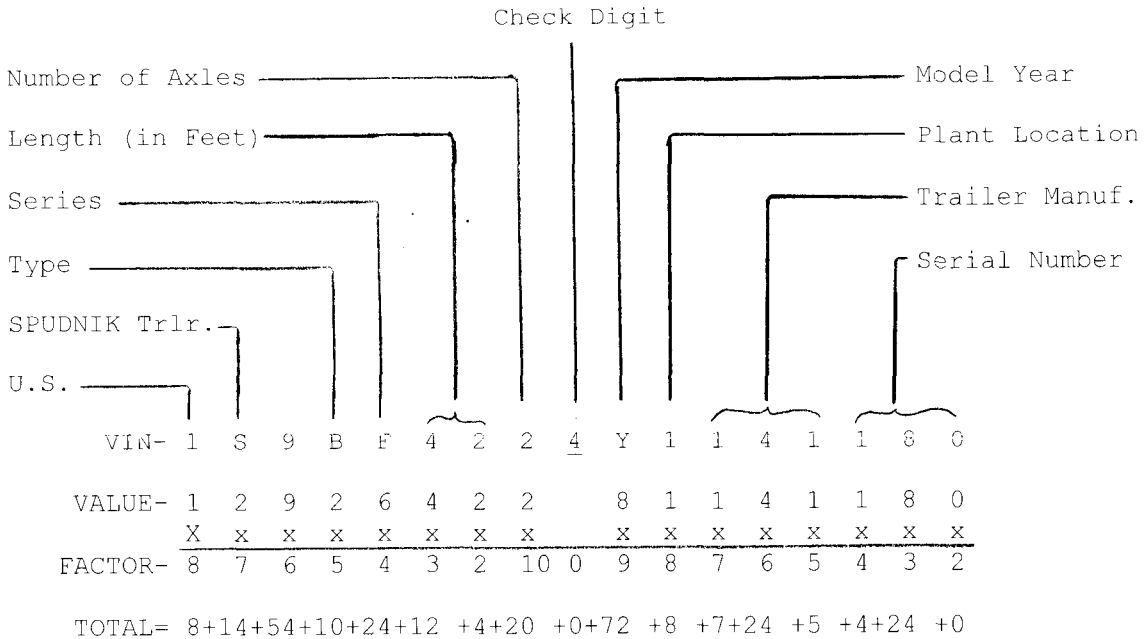
Sincerely,

Keith Fisher

Keith Fisher
Engineer

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Calculation

SAMPLE:



TOTAL / 11 = 290 / 11 = 26.36

Check Digit From Decimal

.09 = 1	.54 = 6
.18 = 2	.63 = 7
.27 = 3	.72 = 8
.36 = 4	.81 = 9
.45 = 5	.90 = X
	.00 = 0

YEAR CODE

- 1994.....R
- 1995.....S
- 1996.....T
- 1997.....V
- 1998.....W
- 1999.....X
- 2000.....Y
- 2001.....1
- 2002.....2
- 2003.....3
- 2004.....4
- 2005.....5
- 2006.....6
- 2007.....7
- 2008.....8
- 2009.....9
- 2010.....A
- 2011.....B
- 2012.....C

LETTER VALUE

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|-------|-------|-------|
| A = 1 | J = 1 | T = 3 |
| B = 2 | K = 2 | U = 4 |
| C = 3 | L = 3 | V = 5 |
| D = 4 | M = 4 | W = 6 |
| E = 5 | N = 5 | X = 7 |
| F = 6 | P = 7 | Y = 8 |
| G = 7 | R = 9 | Z = 9 |
| H = 8 | S = 2 | |

TYPE

NUMBER OF AXLES

- | | |
|--------------------|-------|
| Belt Bulk Bed = B | 2 = 2 |
| Chain Bulk Bed = C | 3 = 3 |
| Belly Dump = D | 4 = 4 |

SERIES

First = F