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Administrator
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
ATTN: VIN Coordinator, NRM-16, Room 5320
400 7th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590
RE: Coding of WMI/VIN.

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Please be advised that Modec has had to redefine the coding for the fourth and fifth positions of the VIN.

We are required to identify and attach to each manufactured frame a quality assurance traveler. The VIN is used as the identifier and relates the quality assurance traveler to the frame. Therefore the VIN is assigned before the frame is started. The problem being that at this point in time we do not know what type of box or body will be set on that frame. Previously our assigned VIN was applied after the trailer was complete and described the ultimate use of the trailer and the body construction. By assigning the VIN prior to frame construction this is not possible. For this reason we have reduced our coding for Position 4 to simply a standard frame, non-standard frame or other and for Position 5, dry freight van body, no body or other. See explanation below.

Position	Code	Definition
4		Type of Trailer
	A	Standard frame
	B	Non-standard frame
	C	Other
5		Body Type
	A	Dry freight van body
	B	No body
	C	Other

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Most all of our products will carry the "A" code in positions 4 and 5 but we have left ourselves an out if change is required; without having to redefine or change the coding.

Thank you for your indulgence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bob Teller".

Bob Teller, Engineering