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Topeka Metal Specialties  
(TMS Trailers)  
Division of LB Steel LLC -Harvey, IL

Date: August 15, 2011

Administrator  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE W43-488  
Washington, DC 20590  
Attention: VIN Coordinator

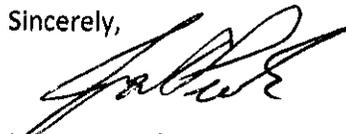
RE: Vehicle Identification Number Deciphering Information

In accordance with 49 CFR Part 565, *Vehicle Identification Number Requirements*, Topeka Metal Specialties is submitting information necessary to decipher the characters contained in its Vehicle Identification Numbers. Please see the attachment.

Topeka Metal Specialties, is a low-volume trailer manufacturer assigned WMI: 4T9/075

If you have any questions, please contact me at (785)862-1071, or [jpeek@topekametal.com](mailto:jpeek@topekametal.com)

Sincerely,



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Attachment

TMS Trailers VIN Deciphering Table

VIN POSITION	VEHICLE ATTRIBUTE	CODING
1	WMI	4
2	WMI	T
3	WMI	9
4	MAKE	T = Topeka Metal Specialties (TMS TRAILERS)
5	TYPE OF TRAILER	1 = PULL TYPE, BALL
		2 = GOOSENECK
		3 = PINTLE HITCH
		4 = FIFTH WHEEL
		5 = KING PIN
		6 = STRAIGHT SEMI
		7 = HITCH PIN
6	BODY TYPE	A = UTILITY TRAILER
		B = BOAT TRAILER
		C = TANKER TRAILER
		D = LAWN MOWER TRAILER
		E = ENCLOSED TRAILER
		F = FLATBED TRAILER
		G = LOW BOY TRAILER
		H = CAR HAULER TRAILER
		J = LIVESTOCK TRAILER
		K = GATE TRAILER
7	LENGTH	A = < 8FT
		B = 9 - 12 FEET
		C = 13-17 FEET
		D = 18 - 22 FEET
		E = 23 - 28 FEET
		F = 29 - 35 FEET
		G = 36 - 42 FEET
		H = 43 - 48 FEET
		J = > 48 FEET
8	AXLE CONFIGURATION	1 = SINGLE AXLE
		2 = 2 AXLES
		3 = 3 AXLES
		4 = 4 AXLES
9	CHECK DIGIT	CALCULATED SEE 49 CFR 565.15c
10	MODEL YEAR	A = 2010
		B = 2011
		C = 2012
		ETC
		(From Table VII of 49 CFR 565.15(d)(1))
11	PLANT OF MANUFACTURER	T = TOPEKA, KS
		L = LB Steel, Harvey, IL.
12	WMI	0
13	WMI	7
14	WMI	5
15	SEQUENTIALLY ASSIGNED	
16	SEQUENTIALLY ASSIGNED	
17	SEQUENTIALLY ASSIGNED	