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# Stoughton Trailers Introduces Rear Underride Guard

STOUGHTON, Wis. (June 13, 2016) — Stoughton Trailers, a global leader in transportation equipment, announces the successful completion of the development and product testing of its new rear underride guard. The underride guard is designed to provide greater protection to the driving public in the event of an accident at the rear of the trailer.

The Stoughton Trailers engineering team was challenged to design, develop, test and validate a solution that improved our products' safety based on the recommendations of the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS).

Through the investment of significant time, resources and talent, Stoughton Trailers has successfully met the challenge without adding weight and without negatively impacting aerodynamics or reducing the robustness of the undercarriage and rear structure.

Stoughton® trailers equipped with the new patent-pending rear underride guard underwent extensive testing both internally and through multiple independent testing agencies including crash testing performed at the IIHS facility in Ruckersville, VA. The new design complies with all applicable US and Canadian regulations.

"After thorough testing, we are confident that this design will set the new standard for rear underride safety in our industry" said Bob Wahlin, President & CEO. "We place such a high value on the safety of both our customers and the driving public that we have chosen to provide this improved level of safety and performance as a standard feature. And at no additional cost". The new underride guard will be available in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2016.

Stoughton's new rear underride guard design includes two additional bolt-on vertical supports on the outer ends of the horizontal bar. All four supports are integrated into the

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bar and fastened to a robust undercarriage to strengthen the guard. The new underride guard will be available in painted carbon steel, galvanized steel, or stainless steel options.

### **About Stoughton Trailers**

Stoughton Trailers is a top 10 international supplier of semi-truck trailers. The Wisconsin-based, family-owned company designs, manufactures and markets a wide range of dependable semi-truck trailers used for over-the-road trucking, as well as agricultural trailers and other specialty transportation equipment. It provides one-stop build, finance, rental and fleet management solutions through world-class responsiveness and design value. For more information, visit StoughtonTrailers.com.

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