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Shipman Welding Service
Better-Bilt Trailers
132 1/2 Starnes Cove Road
Asheville, N. C. 28806

NHTSA
400 Seventeenth Street S.W.
Washington, D. C. 20590

Attention Mr. Erickson

Dear Sir:

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This is to confirm the conversation with you on November 23 regarding the seventeen digit code for vehicle identification numbers to be manufactured by Shipman Welding Service, Identified as Better-Bilt Trailers, and owned by James Thomas Shipman. The attached code will apply to all trailers to be manufactured.

I wish to thank you for the assistance you have given me in preparing this code.

Sincerely yours,

James Thomas Shipman
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VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION CODE

character number	VIN	identifier
1	1	U.S.
2	J	James Thomas Shipman Shipman Welding Service Better-Bilt Trailers
3	9	Third digit of assigned code
4	D P V U	Drive-on Boat Trailer Pontoon Boat Trailer Deep-V Boat Trailer Utility Trailer
5	A B	Standard Custom
6	0	First digit of body length to the nearest foot (below 10 being 0)
7	0	Second digit of body length to the nearest foot
8	1 2 3	One axle Two axles Three axles
9	0	Check digit, (as per NHTSA guide)
10	P	Year (as designated in table)
11	A	Asheville, N. C.
12	0	Less than 500 units per year
13	2	" " " " " "
14	9	" " " " " "
15	0	Production number beginning 001
16	0	" " " "
17	0	" " " "

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