## INFORMATION REGARDING CALIFORNIA'S <u>PROPOSITION 65</u> WARNING ON DURAMAX PRODUCTS

<u>Proposition 65</u> requires businesses to provide warnings to Californians about exposures to chemicals that may cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. Exposure to these chemicals may take place when products are acquired or used.

Exposure may also occur in homes, workplaces, or other environments in California. By requiring that this information be provided, Proposition 65 enables Californians to make informed decisions about their exposures to these chemicals.

Proposition 65 requires California to publish a list of chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. This list must be updated at least once a year. It now includes over 900 chemicals.

## **Applicable to Duramax Products**

<u>The Prop 65 warning</u> is required on all Duramax products because our products contain steel, stainless steel or <u>Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)</u>. All types of steel contain a chemical called <u>nickel</u>, which has been deemed by California to potentially cause cancer, and is "under consideration" for causing reproductive harm. Nickel is present in all steel (not just Duramax steel) and in higher concentrations in stainless steel.

All Duramax products are constantly tested for chemical content that could be harmful. All Duramax products meet or exceed every relevant, industry-accepted safety standard including all applicable federal laws and industry standards.

Duramax is unaware of any case of any person contracting any form of cancer or reproductive harm of any kind by simply handling or touching steel (or otherwise using our products for their intended use).

California law mandates that consumers need to be made aware of these risks and because of this mandate Duramax has added the <a href="Prop 65 warning">Prop 65 warning</a> language to assist consumers in making these informed decisions.