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THE UNITED KINGDOM VEHICLE APPROVAL AUTHORITY

Rev 1/03



COMMUNICATION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL GRANTED OF A TYPE OF MECHANICAL COUPLING DEVICE OR COMPONENT, PURSUANT TO REGULATION NO 55.01

Approval No: 55R-015502 Extension 1

Reason(s) for Extension:

- 1. Minor change in manufacturing of device
- 2. Modified number of test report
- 1. Trade name or mark of the device or component: VBG or RINGFEDER
- 2. Manufacturer's name for the type of device or component: 663 /KA1
- 3. Manufacturer's name and address:

VBG AB Box 1216 46228 Vänersborg Sweden

- 4. If applicable, name and address of the manufacturer's representative: Not applicable
- 5. Alternative supplier's names or trade marks applied to the device or component: Not applicable
- 6. Name and address of company or body taking responsibility for the conformity of production: See section 3 above
- 7. Submitted for approval on: 24 May 2004
- 8. Technical service responsible for conducting approval tests: TÜV Automotive GmbH, TÜV Süd Gruppe

9.	Brief description: Automatic hook coupling to use with toroidal drawbar eye
9.1.	Type and class of device or component: Hook coupling type, class KA1
9.2.	Characteristic values:
9.2.1.	Primary values: D70
9.3.	For Class A mechanical coupling devices or components, including towing brackets:
	Vehicle manufacturer's maximum permissible vehicle mass: kg Distribution of maximum permissible vehicle mass between the axles:
	Vehicle manufacturer's maximum permissible towable trailer mass: kg
	Vehicle manufacturer's maximum permissible static vertical load on coupling ball: kg
	Maximum mass of the vehicle, with bodywork, in running order, including coolant, oils, fuel, tools and spare wheel (if supplied) but not including driver: kg
	Loading condition under which the tow ball height of a mechanical coupling device fitted to category M1 vehicles is to be measured -see paragraph 2 of annex 7, appendix 1:
10.	Instructions for the attachment of the coupling device or component type to the vehicle and photographs or drawings of the mounting points given by the vehicle manufacturer: See manufacturers document
11.	Information on the fitting of any special reinforcing brackets or plates or spacing components necessary for the attachment of the coupling device or component: Not applicable
12.	Additional information where the use of the coupling device or component is restricted to special types of vehicles - see annex 5, paragraph 3.4. Not applicable
13.	For Class K hook type couplings, details of the drawbar eyes suitable for use with the particular hook type. To use with toroidal drawbar eye 76 3 0 JAN 2006

- 14. Date of test report: As before and 20 January 2006
- 15. Number of test report: As before and 06-00012-CX-GBM-01
- Approval mark position: On type plate mounted on the side of the jaw
- 17. Reason(s) for extension of approval (if applicable): Minor change in manufacturing of device
- 18. Approval GRANTED
- 19. Place: BRISTOL
- 20. Date: 30 JANUARY 2006
- 21. Signature:

A. W. STENNING Head of Product Certification

22. The list of documents deposited with the Administrative Service which has granted approval is annexed to this communication and may be obtained on request.

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