

Moto-buddies! Disaster! Not a way to start the day...



To add insult to injury, the trucker in back of me "leaned on the horn" and started screaming. Oh sure, I'll just drag the wreckage across the intersection ☹ ☹ ☹.

This trailer is a "take-apart" and is held together by pins. The pins holding the crossbar (to which the tie-down straps are attached) fractured at a point where "extra holes" (what for?) had been drilled. **A terrible design flaw...**



You can see the fractured pin in the above pic. When the pins broke, this allowed the tie-down-bar to rotate with the bike in the tip-over.

A passing workman hopped out of his truck, and in 30 seconds we had the bike off the trailer and on the side of the road. Thanks buddy, whoever you are ☺ ☺ ☺ !

Sad note: I had been lost, and called RaceTech. No answer from the operator. Here's why...



...there is no operator! "Nobody home" at the operator station. The phone-robot then asked me to punch-in "Service". No answer, here's why...



Nobody home! Note the "Service" folder in the in-basket.

Lucky-me: I stumbled on the correct turn-off.

After I had dropped off the bike, the knowledgeable technician asks "What kind of riding do you do?" I responded **"220-lb rider, moderate speeds over washboard, 3-inches of rear-shock sag"**. This is the beauty of RaceTech (I have used them before). The

ability to match rider/style to their fork/shock hardware.



A real plus is their desire/ability to take the entire bike (in years past, they accepted only forks and shocks).

\$200/bike (a deal, considering the work involved) is the charge for the R&R of both forks/shock, plus the cost of the RaceTech re-build (\$850 for the entire job).

Nosey-me: Wandering around the sales office, I saw the sign "Year-to-year sales". Oct 2007 was **30% less than Oct 2006**. Conjecture: Fire the operator/service folks?

Happy-ending: 6-hrs after starting out (3-hr job I thought)... I was home, bought/installed parts to fix the trailer, and loaded my other bike (450R) for trailering to the local dealer (warrantee work).



Thanks for reading along! Paul P.