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HAZARD ALERT

A lowbed driver had attached a belt to the pin holding the trailer hitch onto the truck. This was apparently done so he did not have to reach in when pulling the pin to disconnect. The belt was fairly long and hung out from the hitch.

The lowbed was moving a D6 Cat and due to slippery road conditions the driver put his chains on. As the truck was proceeding down the road one of the chains caught the belt and pulled the pin out of the hitch. This caused the trailer to detached from the truck. The trailer started sliding backwards down a hill pulling the truck with it.

Fortunately the driver was able to stop the truck with minimal damage, he then hooked up and proceeded.

This could have been a very serious incident. This alert is to advise all drivers to inspect their trucks regularly and identify potential hazards. Also it is recommending not to add anything on to equipment.

Let all continue to work and drive safe.