



U.S. Department of Transportation
**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Bill Woeste
Tireco Inc.
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NEF-150KS
16T-014

Subject: Improper Sidewall Markings/FMVSS 119

Dear Mr. Woeste:

This letter serves to acknowledge Tireco Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

MILESTAR/BS623/225/70R19.5

Mfr's Report Date: September 2, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16T-014

Components:

TIRES:MARKINGS
TIRES:SIDEWALL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 11,904

Problem Description:

Tireco Inc. (Tireco) is recalling certain Milestar BS623 tires, size 225/70R 19.5 G/14, manufactured June 23, 2013, to January 24, 2015. The affected tires have incorrect markings on the sidewall, indicating both ratings as "DUAL" when the first rating should be identified as "SINGLE." As such, these tires fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 119, "New Pneumatic Tires-Other Than Passenger Cars."

Consequence:

Incorrectly identifying the ratings on the tires may result in the operator inadvertently overloading the tires, possibly causing their failure, thereby increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Tireco will notify owners, and provide owners with a full refund of the entire purchase price. The recall is expected to begin October 10, 2016. Owners may contact Tireco customer service at 1-800-937-9433.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

We have received Tireco's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian".

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement