

U.S. Department of Transportation

# National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

October 17, 2017

Mr. Joseph Cote Trek Tire, LLC P.O. Box 164 Saco, ME 04072 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-150KS 17T-015

Subject: Missing DOT Prefix on Tire/FMVSS 139

Dear Mr. Cote:

This letter serves to acknowledge Trek Tire, LLC'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:

DUNLOP/GRANDTREK PT3A/275/50R21

**Mfr's Report Date:** September 11, 2017

NHTSA Campaign Number: 17T-015

**Components:** 

TIRES:MARKINGS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 1,400

## **Problem Description:**

Trek Tire LLC (Trek Tire) is recalling certain Dunlop GrandTrek PT3A tires, size 275/50R21, manufactured between December 1, 2016, and December 7, 2016, which fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 139, "New Pneumatic Radial Tires for Light Vehicles." The affected tires lack the complete DOT identification marking prefix for radial tires and light vehicles.

### **Consequence:**

The lack of complete DOT identification markings can lead to inappropriate use of the tires, possibly increasing the risk of a crash.

#### Remedy

Dealer Tire LLC will notify owners and the noncompliant tires will be replaced free of charge. The recall is expected to begin during October 2017. Owners may contact Trek Tire at 1-207-200-6967.

### **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 Trek Tire's proposed owner notification letter and envelope and they are 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,

Jennifer Timian

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

Enforcement

