

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

November 22, 2017

Ms. Kathryn Penny East Manufacturing Corp. 1871 State Route 44 Randolph, OH 44265 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-150MR 17V-684

Subject: Draft Arm Tubing may Crack

Dear Ms. Penny:

This letter serves to acknowledge East Manufacturing Corp.'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:

EAST/FRAMELESS DUMP HYBRID/2013-2018

Mfr's Report Date: October 27, 2017

NHTSA Campaign Number: 17V-684

Components:

STRUCTURE:FRAME AND MEMBERS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 573

Problem Description:

East Manufacturing Corp. (East) is recalling certain 2013-2018 Frameless Dump Hybrid trailers. These trailers have draft arm tubing that may crack and fail.

Consequence:

If the draft arm tubing fails, a loss of vehicle control could occur, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

The remedy for this recall is still under development. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact East customer service at 1-330-325-9921.

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.



Please update your Defect Information report to provide a remedy plan and notification schedule once they have been determined.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, 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).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As required in Part 573.6(c)(6), in the case of a defect, please provide a chronology of all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information, with their dates of receipt. Please provide this information as soon as possible.

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 Michelle Rice who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-1060, or by email at michelle.rice@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

