



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Brian Polgrean
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NEF-150MR
18V-746

Subject: Improperly Wired Warning Lights on Portable Pumps

Dear Mr. Polgrean:

This letter serves to acknowledge Kovatch Mobile Equipment 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:

KME/COMMERCIAL SKID/2015, 2017

Mfr's Report Date: October 22, 2018

NHTSA Campaign Number: 18V-746

Components:

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM: INSTRUMENT PANEL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 8

Problem Description:

Kovatch Mobile Equipment Corp. (KME) is recalling certain 2015 and 2017 KME Commercial Skid vehicles equipped with Kubota Diesel Powered Portable Pumps, part number 200779, revisions A through C, supplied by Hale Products. These pumps may be improperly wired, causing the Oil Pressure and Temperature warning lamps to not illuminate when needed.

Consequence:

If the warning lamps are not operable, the user may not be warned that there is a problem with the pump's engine. Failure of the pump's engine may inhibit the ability to contain a fire, increasing the risk of injury.

Remedy:

KME will notify owners, and dealers will reverse the wires leading to the warning/indicators or provide a plug-in wire repair harness, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin December 10, 2018. Owners may contact KME customer service at 1-800-235-3928.

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.

We have received KME'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).

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 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. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



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