

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

January 29, 2019

Mr. Craig Cox Codes and Compliance Manager Newmar Corporation 355 N Delaware Street Nappanee, IN 46550 NEF-150MR 18V-859

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

**Subject:** Insufficiently Tightened Brake Caliper Bolts

Dear Mr. Cox:

This letter serves to acknowledge Newmar Corporation'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:

NEWMAR/ESSEX/2018-2019 NEWMAR/LONDON AIRE/2018-2019 NEWMAR/MOUNTAIN AIRE/2018-2019 NEWMAR/VENTANA/2018-2019 NEWMAR/VENTANA LE/2018-2019

Mfr's Report Date: December 4, 2018

NHTSA Campaign Number: 18V-859

# **Components:**

SERVICE BRAKES, AIR:DISC:CALIPER

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 308

# **Problem Description:**

Newmar Corporation (Newmar) is recalling certain 2018-2019 Newmar Essex, Ventana LE, Ventana, London Aire, and Mountain Aire vehicles. The brake caliper mounting bolts may not have been sufficiently tightened.

## **Consequence:**

Loose brake caliper mounting bolts can reduce brake effectiveness, increasing the risk of a crash.

### Remedy:

Newmar has notified owners, and Daimler Trucks North America dealers will inspect and tighten the brake caliper mounting bolts, free of charge. The recall began January 10, 2019. Owners may contact Newmar customer service at 1-800-731-8300. Newmar's number for this recall is 18V-703.

# 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 be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall 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.

We understand that Daimler Trucks North America will be submitting the required six quarterly recall completion rate reports.

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,

Kareem Habib

Acting Chief, Recall Management Division

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Office of Defects Investigations

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