



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

May 23, 2019

Mr. Brandon Kibe
Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC
1155 East Franklin Street
Huntington, IN 46750

NEF-150MR
19E-030

Subject: Left, Rear Brake Caliper may Drag

Dear Mr. Kibe:

This letter serves to acknowledge Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems 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:

BENDIX/ADB22X/9999

Mfr's Report Date: April 18, 2019

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19E-030

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES, AIR:DISC

Potential Number of Units Affected: 17,050

Problem Description:

Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC (Bendix) is recalling certain ADB22X Air Disc Brake Calipers sold for use on school buses. The driver side rear brakes may drag.

Consequence:

The dragging brakes may lead to high temperatures at the wheel end, increasing the risk of fire.

Remedy:

Bendix will notify the school bus manufacturers that purchased the brake calipers. Dealers for those manufacturers will install a new caliper with an updated clearance adjustment mechanism, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact Bendix customer service at 1-877-345-9526.

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.

NHTSA is missing critical, required information for this safety recall. This information must be supplied through the NHTSA Recalls Portal within 5 working days of confirming its accuracy:

- Your company must supply the estimated date(s) for which it will notify purchasers regarding this safety recall. If your company subsequently becomes aware that either the beginning or the completion dates reported to the agency for any of the notifications will be delayed by more than two weeks, your company shall promptly advise the agency of the delay and the reasons therefore, and furnish a revised estimate (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(8)(ii)).

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft purchaser 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 purchaser 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,



Kareem Habib
Acting Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement