

U.S. Department of Transportation

# National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

May 8, 2019

Ms. Amanda Walker Trans Texas Tire 1106 Industrial Rd Mount Pleasant, TX 75686 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-150SS 19T-003

Subject: Tire Sidewalls Incorrectly Labeled

Dear Ms. Walker:

This letter serves to acknowledge Trans Texas Tire '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:

CONTENDER/CONTENDER/5.70-8

Mfr's Report Date: March 26, 2019

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19T-003

**Components:** 

TIRES:MARKINGS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 560

## **Problem Description:**

Trans Texas Tire (TTT) is recalling certain Contender 5.70-8 tires sold exclusively through Discount Tire stores. The tire sidewalls are incorrectly labeled, in that each side of the tire may state different PLY and PSI markings. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 574, "Tire Identification & Recordkeeping."

### **Consequence:**

The incorrect PLY and PSI markings may result in underinflating or overloading the tires, increasing the risk of crash.

## Remedy:

TTT will notify owners, and dealers will replace the tires with tires that have the correct sidewall markings, free of charge. The recall will begin in May 2019. Owners may contact Trans Texas Tire customer service at 1-903-572-0267.

#### **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 tires that fail to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle standards.

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).

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 Sarah Shiver who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-7401, or by email at sarah.shiver@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Kareem Habib

Acting Chief, Recall Management Division

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