OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 19V-255

Manufacturer Name: Blanchat Mfg., Inc. **Submission Date:** MAR 28, 2019 NHTSA Recall No.: 19V-255

Manufacturer Recall No.: NR

#### **Manufacturer Information:**

Manufacturer Name: Blanchat Mfg., Inc.

Address: 10 NW 92 Rd.

PO Box 444 Harper KS 67058

Company phone: 620-896-7145

## **Population:**

Number of potentially involved: Estimated percentage with defect: 100 %

#### Vehicle Information:

Vehicle 1: 2018-2018 Dodge 5500 - B-27 Minuteman

Vehicle Type: BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style: 4-DOOR Power Train: DIESEL

Descriptive Information: The recall population was determined by reviewing purchase orders to Whelen for

part PSR00XRR during their specified production time for their recall. Only two (2)

items were ordered during this time period.

Production Dates: NOV 01, 2017 - MAY 16, 2018

VIN Range 1: Begin: 3C7WRNFJ3JG153145 End: 3C7WRNFJ3JG153145 Not sequential

#### **Description of Defect:**

Description of the Defect: The brake light may activate if there is transient voltage on the brake input line

(e.g., without further brake input), but can be returned to normal operation when a brake input is applied and then removed. Whelen determined that the root cause of this condition was tied to transient voltage on the brake input line creating a false and steady activation of the brake light. The condition is dependent on the specific wiring of the vehicle and other equipment installed. The product functions normally if it is not exposed to these specific conditions.

FMVSS 1: 108 - Lamps, reflective devices, and assoc. Equipment

FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: The brake light may activate if there is a transient voltage on the brake input

line (e.g., without further brake input), but can be returned to normal

operation when a brake input is applied and then removed.

Description of the Cause: Transient voltage on the input line.

Identification of Any Warning NR that can Occur:

## **Supplier Identification:**

## **Component Manufacturer**

Name: Whelen Enginerring Address: 51 Winthrop Rd.

Chester CONNECTICUT 06475

**Country: United States** 

#### **Chronology:**

On March 19, 2019 Blanchat Mfg., Inc. was notified by NHTSA regarding the recall notice from Whelen. Blanchat Mfg., Inc. notified customers with the recalled product. On March 28, 2019 Blanchat Mfg., Inc. filed the Defect and Noncompliance Information Report with NHTSA as required.

### **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: Blanchat Mfg., Inc. will, upon request immediately provide a free

replacement product and support services to all customers affected by the

recall.

How Remedy Component Differs The remedy product has the following distinguishing characteristic versus

from Recalled Component: the recalled product: -Part number revision letter printed on label

(permanently applied to rear of product) incremented (e.g. 01-066E957-

RB D changed to 01-066E957-RB E) on PSR00XRR

Identify How/When Recall Condition On product PSR00RXRR purchased/installed after May 16, 2018, Whelen was Corrected in Production: has corrected the issue with an update that makes this product immune to

the transient voltage issue.

#### **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: All recall notifications have been issued as of March 28, 2019.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: NR - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date: MAR 28, 2019 - APR 05, 2019

\* NR - Not Reported