

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

April 15, 2020

Mr. Michael Gross Winkelmann Flowform Technology LP 229 Teague Court Auburn, AL 36832 NEF-150KL

20E-021

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Incorrect Cylinder Label/FMVSS 304

Dear Mr. Gross:

This letter serves to acknowledge Winkelmann Flowform Technology LP'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:

WINKELMANN FLOWFORM/CNG CYLINDER/9999

Mfr's Report Date: April 10, 2020

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20E-021

Components:

EQUIPMENT:OTHER:LABELS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 5

Problem Description:

Winkelmann Flowform Technology LP (WFT) is recalling certain 327 liter compressed natural gas cylinders, part number CNG-327L-2560N. The font size of the cylinder labels may be too small and may be missing the type 3 designation, which will prevent the cylinders from passing inspection. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 304, "Compressed Natural Gas Fuel Container Integrity."

Consequence:

If the cylinders cannot be inspected or pass inspection, the cylinders can fail and increase the risk of a fire or injury.

Remedy

WFT will notify owners, and provide replacement cylinder labels, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin April 13, 2020. Owners may contact WFT customer service at 1-334-758-6400.

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 an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety 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 Kristin Lepper who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5227, or by email at kristin.lepper@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Joshua Neff

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

Enforcement

