



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

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NEF-150MR
20V-159

Subject: Brake Actuator Mounting Washer May Fracture

Dear Mr. Kirk:

This letter serves to acknowledge Tremcar'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:

TREMCAR/406 SEMI-TRAILER/2018-2020
TREMCAR/407 SEMI-TRAILER/2018-2020

Mfr's Report Date: March 19, 2020

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V-159

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES

Potential Number of Units Affected: 47

Problem Description:

Tremcar is recalling certain 2018-2020 406 and 707 semi-trailers. The washers used for mounting the brake actuators may fracture, allowing the actuators to loosen, potentially reducing the braking ability.

Consequence:

A reduction in the braking performance can lengthen the distance needed to stop the vehicle, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Tremcar will notify owners, and TSE Brakes will provide replacement brake actuator mounting washers and nuts, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in March 2020. Owners may contact Tremcar customer service at 1-800-363-2158.

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.

We have received Tremcar's proposed owner notification letter and have approved it for distribution.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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).

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,



Joshua Neff
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Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement