



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

September 15, 2020

Ms. Brandi Klepfer
PJ Trailers
950 I-30 East
Mount Pleasant, TX 75455

NEF-150MR
20V-522

Subject: Hydraulic Cylinder Attachment Bolts May Fail

Dear Ms. Klepfer:

This letter serves to acknowledge PJ Trailers'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:

PJ TRAILERS/DE/2020-2021

Mfr's Report Date: August 28, 2020

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V-522

Components:

EQUIPMENT:MECHANICAL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 694

Problem Description:

PJ Trailers is recalling certain 2020-2021 DE trailers. The attachment bolts of the hydraulic cylinder may fail if the hydraulic system is used to lower the dump box once the dump box is already in the fully lowered position.

Consequence:

Use of the dump box after the attachment bolts fail may result in a sudden drop of the box as it is being raised, increasing the risk of injury.

Remedy:

PJ Trailers will notify owners, and dealers will replace the hydraulic power unit and the attachment bolts, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin October 1, 2020. Owners may contact PJ Trailers customer service at 1-866-752-8781.

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.

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 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
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement