



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

January 7, 2022

Mr. Andrew Sefzik  
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NEF-107MR  
21V-00G

**Subject:** Debris May Accumulate Against Exhaust System

Dear Mr. Sefzik:

This letter serves to acknowledge Alamo Group Inc.'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:**

SCHWARZE/A7 CNG STREET SWEEPER/2012-2021  
SCHWARZE/A8 CNG STREET SWEEPER/2012-2021  
SCHWARZE/A9 CNG STREET SWEEPER/2012-2021

**Mfr's Report Date:** December 22, 2021

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 21V-00G

**Components:**

ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING:EXHAUST SYSTEM:MANIFOLD/HEADER/MUFFLER/TAIL PIPE

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 31

**Problem Description:**

Alamo Group Inc. (Alamo) is recalling certain 2012-2021 Schwarze A7 CNG, A8 CNG, and A9 CNG street sweepers mounted on Freightliner M2-112 chassis and equipped with a horizontal exhaust system. Lightweight debris, such as leaves, may build up in front of the sweeping head and accumulate against the chassis exhaust system.

**Consequence:**

Debris against the exhaust system increases the risk of a fire.

**Remedy:**

Dealers will install an exhaust tailpipe extension tube, free of charge. Owners notification letters are expected to be mailed on January 28, 2022. Owners may contact Alamo Group customer service at 1-830-379-1480.

**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.nhtsa.gov](http://www.nhtsa.gov).

**Please ensure the following requirements are met:**

Per the requirements of 49 USC 30119, please provide the part number, name and description of the component or components involved in this recall. This information should be provided in an amended 573 in the "Involved Components" section.

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

We have received Alamo's proposed owner notification letter and 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 eight 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.

Alamo Group Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by email at [michelle.rice@dot.gov](mailto:michelle.rice@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Alex Ansley  
Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement