

U.S. Department of Transportation

# National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

October 19, 2021

Ms. Laura Ochoa Peach Cargo LLC 230 Talley St Adel, GA 31620-1947 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-107MR 21V-775

Subject: Spindle Nuts Improperly Tightened

Dear Ms. Ochoa:

This letter serves to acknowledge Peach Cargo LLC'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:

PEACH CARGO/CARGO TRAILER/2021-2022

Mfr's Report Date: October 4, 2021

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V-775

**Components:** 

SUSPENSION: MULTIPLE AXLE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 457

### **Problem Description:**

Peach Cargo LLC (Peach Cargo) is recalling certain 2021-2022 Peach Cargo Trailers. Please see the 573 report for all affected model numbers. The spindle nuts on the axles may have been improperly tightened during assembly.

## **Consequence:**

Improperly tightened spindle nuts may cause excessive axle vibration and overheat the bearings, affecting vehicle control and increasing the risk of a crash.

### Remedy:

Dealers will inspect the spindle nuts and bearings, tightening the spindle nuts and replacing bearings as necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed in October 2021. Owners may contact Peach Cargo's customer service at 1-229-896-1646.

#### **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.



## Please ensure the following requirements are met:

Your company's program shall include a plan for reimbursing an owner or purchaser who incurred costs to obtain a remedy for the problem addressed by the recall within a reasonable time in advance of your company's notification of owners, purchasers and dealers, in accordance with § 573.13. Your company's plan may incorporate by reference a general reimbursement plan it previously submitted to NHTSA, together with information specific to the individual recall. Information required by § 573.13 that is not in a general reimbursement plan shall be submitted in your company's report to NHTSA. If your company submits one or more general reimbursement plans, your company shall update each plan every two years (§ 573.13). If the vehicles are new and would be covered under the manufacturer's warranty program, please state that in the remedy section of your filing.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

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).

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.

Peach Cargo LLC's contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement

