



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

June 3, 2022

Mr. Mark Keller
Ox Bodies, Inc.
719 Columbus Street East
Fayette, AL 35504

NEF-107MR
22E-046

Subject: Rear Hinge Assembly Insufficiently Welded

Dear Mr. Keller:

This letter serves to acknowledge Ox Bodies, 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:

FAYETTE FABRICATIONS/REAR HINGE ASSEMBLY/9999

Mfr's Report Date: May 27, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22E-046

Components:

STRUCTURE:BODY:HATCHBACK/LIFTGATE:HINGE AND ATTACHMENTS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 339

Problem Description:

Ox Bodies, Inc. (Ox Bodies) is recalling certain Fayette Fabrications Rear Hinge Assemblies, part number 2214483, that were sold as replacement equipment. The weld in the rear hinge assemblies of the dump bodies may be insufficient.

Consequence:

An insufficient weld may cause the rear hinge assembly to fail, increasing the risk of an injury.

Remedy:

Ox Bodies will replace the uninstalled rear hinge assemblies and repair any installed rear hinge assemblies, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed on June 27, 2022. Owners may contact Ox Bodies customer service at 1-205-932-5720.

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:

As required in Part 573.6, please amend the chronology to provide a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information (such as the numbers of deaths and/or injuries), with their dates of receipt. If claim count exceeds 10 claims, please provide the total number of claims, and a receipt date range for those claims.

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 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.

Ox Bodies, Inc.'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