#### OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 22E-082

**Manufacturer Name:** MANCHESTER TANK & EQUIPMENT CO

Submission Date: FEB 01, 2023 NHTSA Recall No.: 22E-082

**Manufacturer Recall No.:** NR



#### **Manufacturer Information:**

Manufacturer Name: MANCHESTER TANK & EQUIPMENT

CO

Address: 1749 Mallory Lane, Suite 40

**BRENTWOOD TN 37027** 

Company phone: 999

# **Population:**

Number of potentially involved: 6,500

Estimated percentage with defect : 10 %

### **Equipment Information:**

Brand / Trade 1: Manchester Tank

Model: ManTank

Part No.: See Descriptive Info

Size: NR

**Function: Propane Tank** 

Descriptive Information: The population and production dates were determined based on the defect

information report submitted by Engineered Controls International, LLC, NHTSA

No. 22E-058, concerning a manufacturing error in the service valves used in the

subject propane tanks. The suspect part numbers will be updated.

Production Dates: JAN 01, 2021 - JUL 01, 2022

#### **Description of Defect:**

Description of the Defect: According to the defect information report filed by the supplier of the service

valves, Engineered Controls International, LLC (NHTSA No. 22E-058), for certain service valves, the thread depth of the POL (Prest-O Lite) outlet is less

than specification, which could result in a leak of propane.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: A leak in an enclosed area in the presence of an ignition source could lead to a

fire, and in some circumstances, tank ruptures. Manchester Tank is not aware

of any reports of fire or injury related to the subject service valves.

Description of the Cause: According to Engineered Controls International, a tool change in Feb. 2021

resulted in an incorrect thread depth for a limited production run of valves.

Identification of Any Warning Leaking valves may be detected by smell, sound, or loss of propane.

that can Occur:

### **Involved Components:**

Component Name: RegO Service Valve

Component Description: RegO model 901C3 and model 901C5

Component Part Number: NR

**Supplier Identification:** 

### **Component Manufacturer**

Name: Engineered Controls International, LLC

Address: 100 RegO Drive

Elon North Carolina 27244

**Country: United States** 

## **Chronology:**

June 27, 2022: A Field Safety Advisory from Engineered Controls International, LLC (RegO), Manchester Tank's supplier, advised that RegO had identified a potential issue with the female Prest-O Lite (POL) threads on a limited number of RegO model 901C3 and model 901C5 service valves. Due to a manufacturing error, the POL threads for some service valves may not meet specification, which could result in propane leaks at the POL threads.

June 29, 2022: Manchester Tank forwarded the RegO Field Advisory to its RV customers.

July-Sep. 2022: Manchester Tank reviewed its records to identify RV tanks that may have used suspect RegO service valves. On July 12, 2022, RegO issued inspection procedures for vehicles in service with suspect. Manchester Tank forwarded the inspection procedures to its RV customers. Manchester Tank reached out to NHTSA's Manufacturer Help Desk to discuss the service valve issue. On July 15, 2022, Engineered Controls International filed a defect information report with NHTSA (22E058). Manchester Tank investigated quality checks related to the threading issue and reviewed sales records for customers that may have received suspect RegO service valves.

Sep. 23, 2022: Based on the defect information report filed by RegO, a review of production records, and defect information reports filed by more than one vehicle customer, Manchester Tank determined to pass through a defect information report to NHTSA for RV tanks equipped with RegO's defective service valves.

Manchester Tank is not aware of any fires or injuries related to this defect.

### **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: Manchester Tank will notify its RV-manufacturer customers of the

potential safety-related defect. The RV manufacturers will conduct any

applicable remedies. All of the subject tanks remain under the manufacturer's warranty. Therefore, pursuant to 49 CFR 577.11(e), Manchester Tank requests an exemption from the reimbursement plan

requirements.

How Remedy Component Differs For tanks or valves, Manchester Tank will provide instructions for

from Recalled Component: inspecting the tank valves to ensure there are no leaks. For tanks with

valves that leak, Manchester Tank will work with its supplier and the RV

manufacturers to replace defective service valves.

Identify How/When Recall Condition Based on information from Engineered Controls International, the defect

was Corrected in Production: valves were manufactured around February 2021. Manchester Tank is recalling RV tanks manufactured from January 2021 to July 2022. RV tanks

manufactured outside those production dates are not affected by the

manufacturing error.

#### **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: The timing of the owner notification will be determined by the affected

RV manufacturers.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: OCT 21, 2022 - OCT 31, 2022 Planned Owner Notification Date: OCT 31, 2022 - OCT 31, 2022

#### **Purchaser Information:**

The following manufacturers purchased this defective/noncompliant equipment for possible use or installation in new motor vehicles or new items of motor vehicle equipment:

Name: El Monte Catering

Address: 1067 S 5th Street

San Jose CA 95112

Country: US Company Phone: NR

Name: LDV USA

Address: 180 Industrial Drive

**Burlington WI 53105** 

Country: US

Company Phone: NR

Name: West Coast Catering Address: 1217 GOODRICH

Los Angeles CA 90022

Country: US Company Phone: NR

Name: Unlimited Spaces Address: 2739 W 79TH ST

BAY 18 HIALEAH FL 33016

Country: US Company Phone: NR

Name: Advance Pump

Address: 15418 OLD HIGHWAY RD

Peosta IA 52068

Country: US Company Phone: NR

Name: Newmar Corporated

Address: 355 N DELAWARE STREET

NAPPANEE IN 46550

Country: US Company Phone: NR

Name: Herr Display Vans

Address: 22401 JOSHUA DRIVE

SAUK VILLAGE IL 60411

Country: US Company Phone: NR

> Name: Winnebago Address: PO BOX 152

> > FOREST CITY IA 50436

Country: US Company Phone: NR

Name: RC Display Vans

Address: 5420 N LAGOON AVE

PORTLAND OR 97217

Country: US Company Phone: NR

Name: WAG'N TAILS MOBILE CONVERSIONS, INC.

Address: 12633 HEATHER PARK DR.

**GRANGER IN 46530** 

Country: US Company Phone: NR

> Name: Provan Industries, LLC Address: 4837 EDMUND HWY

> > WEST COLUMBIA SC 29170

Country: US Company Phone: NR

<sup>\*</sup> NR - Not Reported