

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

22T-001

Manufacturer Name : Vee Tyre and Rubber Co., Ltd.**Submission Date :** JAN 19, 2022**NHTSA Recall No. :** 22T-001**Manufacturer Recall No. :** 16MBCMJBL&16MJEMJBL**Manufacturer Information :****Population :****Manufacturer Name :** Vee Tyre and Rubber Co., Ltd.**Number of potentially involved :** 1,782**Address :** c/o Larson, Garrick & Lightfoot, LLP
801 S. Figueroa Street, Suite 1130 Los
Angeles CA 90017**Estimated percentage with defect :** 100 %**Company phone :** (213) 404-4100**Tire Information :****Tire Brand 1 :** Tri-Ace**Tire Line :** Pioneer A/T III**Tire Size :** LT245/70R17**Descriptive Information :** Based on December 9, 2021 letter from NHTSA and Vee's own investigation, all tires in tire line were determined to be part of the recall population, 836 of which were LT245/70R17.**Production Dates :** DEC 04, 2018 - MAR 31, 2019**TIN (Tire Identification Number)**

Plant ID	Size code	Optional Code	Begin M Code	End M Code
16M	BC	MJBL	4718	1819

Tire Brand 2 : Tri-Ace**Tire Line :** Pioneer A/T III**Tire Size :** LT235/85R16**Descriptive Information :** Based on December 9, 2021 letter from NHTSA and Vee's own investigation, all tires in tire line were determined to be part of the recall population, 946 of which were LT235/85R16.**Production Dates :** DEC 04, 2018 - APR 30, 2019**TIN (Tire Identification Number)**

Plant ID	Size code	Optional Code	Begin M Code	End M Code
16M	JE	MJBL	4718	1819

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : Sidewall separation and loss of air after overheating. The position of the steel belt in some of the tires in the line appears to have deviated from specification for the tire.

FMVSS 1 : 139 - New pneumatic radial tires for light vehicles

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : There is a risk that the subject tires will overheat, separate at the upper sidewall and tread, and lose air.

Description of the Cause : The position of the steel belt on some of the tires does not follow the specifications, and may have resulted in a possible noncompliance with FMVSS 139. In consideration for the safety risk presented by the tires, the investigation team decided to recall all production of these two sizes regardless of the production dates.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : The tires will cause a severe vibration.

Involved Components :

Component Name : NR

Component Description : NR

Component Part Number : NR

Supplier Identification :**Component Manufacturer**

Name : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Chronology :

December 9, 2021 – Designated Agent receives email w/attached NHTSA correspondence and testing materials from Jayton Lindley of NHTSA. The correspondence is from Claudia W. Covell, Chief Equipment Division of the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance;

December 16 2021 – Vee management sets up an investigation team;

December 16, 2021 - Investigation team commences analysis of content of NHTSA correspondence and the test

reports provided by NHTSA;

December 17, 2021 – Investigation team gathers the sales records, production records, inventory information, and rechecked the subject tire testing records for all production since 2018;

December 17, 2021 – Investigation team quarantines relevant tires at the Vee factory for analysis by team;

December 23, 2021 – Investigation team collect sample tires to retest for FMVSS 139 compliance;

January 5, 2022 – Investigation team sections allege defect tires and analyzes the cut sections;

January 7, 2022 – Investigation team sections additional alleged defect tires and analyzes the cut sections;

January 10-11, 2022 – Investigation team evaluates its own, and NHTSA's data;

January 12-19, 2022 - Investigation team commences and completes report preparation

January 17 – Investigation team draws final conclusions while drafting its response to the December 9, 2021 letter, which will concur with NHTSA's finding that the subject tires should be recalled. It was determined that the steel belt on a significant number of 25 or more sectioned tires did not follow the specifications and may have resulted in a noncompliance with FMVSS. In consideration for the safety risk presented by the tires, the investigation team decided to recall all production of these two sizes without regard to the production dates.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Vee will contact Tri-Ace, if it maintains current business operations, and if not, Vee will contact known dealers for Tri-Ace to acquire customer records, if any. Vee will submit proposed dealer and end-user recall letters to NHTSA within the next 10 days.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : n/a

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : The tire line was already out-of-production when NHTSA notified Vee about the findings of its investigation in its December 9, 2021 correspondence.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : NR

Planned Dealer Notification Date : JAN 31, 2022 - FEB 20, 2022

Planned Owner Notification Date : FEB 21, 2022 - MAR 15, 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 : NR

Address : NR

NR

Country : NR

Company Phone : NR

* NR - Not Reported