



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

September 19, 2022

Mrs. Julia Winter
Nikola Corporation
4141 E. Broadway Dr.
Phoenix, AZ 85040

NEF-107SS
22V-689

Subject: Improperly Installed Seat Belt Assembly

Dear Mrs. Winter:

This letter serves to acknowledge Nikola Corporation'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:

NIKOLA/TRE BEV/2022

Mfr's Report Date: September 14, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-689

Components:

SEAT BELTS:FRONT:ANCHORAGE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 93

Problem Description:

Nikola Corporation (Nikola) is recalling certain 2022 Tre BEV vehicles. The seat belt shoulder anchorage assembly may have been improperly installed.

Consequence:

An improperly installed seat belt can detach during use, increasing the risk of injury during a crash.

Remedy:

Dealers will replace the seat belt anchor assembly and adjuster, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed October 1, 2022. Owners may contact Nikola customer service at 1-888-429-9216. Nikola's number for this recall is 22VDC07007R.

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:

An identification and description of the risk to motor vehicle safety reasonably related to the defect or noncompliance (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(5)). All filings should state an increased risk of either a crash, injury or fire.

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.

Nikola Corporation's contact for this recall will be Sarah Shiver who may be reached by email at sarah.shiver@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



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