

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

October 17, 2022

Mr. Tim Wheeler Warranty Manager Fontaine Modification 9827 Mt Holly Road Charlotte, NC 28214

Subject: Hydrostatic Pump Failure

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

This letter serves to acknowledge Fontaine Modification'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:

ELGIN SWEEPER/CROSSWIND 1 (PB 220)/2020-2023

Mfr's Report Date: October 10, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-757

**Components:** EQUIPMENT

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 56

### **Problem Description:**

Fontaine Modification (Fontaine) is recalling certain Fontaine-modified 2020-2023 Elgin Crosswind 1 and Elgin Whirlwind 1 sweepers built on Peterbilt 220 chassis. The engine air compressor stainless steel braided supply line may rub through the oil suction tube running from the Variable Power Divider (VPD) sump to the hydrostatic pump, causing the pump to fail.

### **Consequence:**

Hydrostatic pump failure can cause a loss of power, limiting vehicle speed, and increasing the risk of a crash.

## Remedy:

Fontaine will provide remedy instructions to Elgin Sweeper Company dealers to reroute the air line and inspect and repair any damage, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed in October 2022. Owners may contact Fontaine's customer service at 1-800-366-8246.

### **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.



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# 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.

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.

We have received Fontaine's proposed owner notification letter and have approved it for distribution.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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.

Fontaine Modification'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

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