OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 23V-024

Manufacturer Name: Mack Trucks, Inc.
Submission Date: JAN 23, 2023
NHTSA Recall No.: 23V-024
Manufacturer Recall No.: SC0440



### **Manufacturer Information:**

# **Population:**

Manufacturer Name: Mack Trucks, Inc.

Number of potentially involved: 43 Estimated percentage with defect: 100 %

Address: 2100 Mack Boulevard

PO Box M Allentown PA 18105-5000

Company phone: 610-709-2131

#### **Vehicle Information:**

Vehicle 1: 2019-2023 Mack LRBE

Vehicle Type: BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style: OTHER

Power Train: HYBRID ELECTRIC

Descriptive Information: Vehicle population determined by battery electric trucks which have not received

updated software (generation) which removes the risk of thermal escalation

Production Dates: SEP 17, 2018 - SEP 19, 2022

### **Description of Defect:**

Description of the Defect: EV vehicle heater thermal escalation. The coolant heater may stay energized

and when in a no flow or low coolant level condition, the heater could catch

fire.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: Safety risk is the potential for a fire if a relay fails in the closed position and

other conditions are met.

Description of the Cause: If a relay fails in a closed position when the vehicle is energized, key in ignition,

and cabin heater on. With no coolant flow or a low coolant level, the heater

could catch fire.

Identification of Any Warning There are no known warnings.

that can Occur:

# **Involved Components:**

Component Name 1: Volvo Systems Engineering

Component Description: NA Component Part Number: NA

# **Supplier Identification:**

# **Component Manufacturer**

Name: Mack Address: NR

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Country: NR

# **Chronology:**

June 24, 2021, Volvo Europe Product Safety Committee (PSC) meets and makes a recall decision relative to their EMOB platform. August 18, 2021, Volvo North America is informed of the decision. October 26, 2021 Volvo North America Product Safety Working Group (PSWG) is made aware and opens investigation (21-095) into findings made by Europe PSC and recommends a foreign recall report be filed because the relay in question is used in North American product. November 17, 2021 Volvo North America Foreign Recall Report 21F252 EV vehicle heater thermal escalation. December 16, 2022, PSWG Investigation findings concluded. January 5, 2023 Investigation findings reviewed with product engineering and verified. January 13, 2023 PSWG makes recommendation that a safety defect finding be made. January 18, 2023, North American PSC meets and makes the determination that a product safety defect exists. January 23, 2023 573 Report Filed with NHTSA.

There have been no accidents or injuries or field complaints or warranty claims related to this issue.

## **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: Update software for Hybrid Powertrain Control Unit (HPCU) and

Instrument Cluster (IC). Install replacement relays. Reimbursement for the recall will be covered by Manufacturer's Reimbursement Plan on file with

NHTSA.

How Remedy Component Differs Software installs counter for relay actuations and when a proscribed from Recalled Component: number of actuations is attained then will flag the vehicle for maintenance,

if the actuation numbers are exceeded then the heater itself is disabled.

Identify How/When Recall Condition Updated software to be introduced, all impacted vehicles under our

was Corrected in Production: control under a stop shipment

# **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: NR

Planned Dealer Notification Date: JAN 27, 2023 - JAN 27, 2023

Planned Owner Notification Date: MAR 19, 2023 - NR

\* NR - Not Reported