OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 23V-287

Manufacturer Name: Shred-Tech Corporation

**Submission Date:** APR 21, 2023 **NHTSA Recall No.:** 23V-287

**Manufacturer Recall No.:** NR



### **Manufacturer Information:**

Manufacturer Name: Shred-Tech Corporation

Address: 295 Pinebush Road

Cambridge, Ontario 00 N1T 1B2

Company phone: 999-999-9999

## **Population:**

Number of potentially involved : 14 Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

### **Vehicle Alterer Information:**

Vehicle 1: 2021-2023 SHRED-TECH MDS-4-33

Descriptive Information: The defect was identified during operational testing of a new MDS-4-33 build in

our factory. All MDS-4-33 models are included in this recall notice, and were

produced between January 1, 2021 and March 1, 2023.

Production Dates: JAN 01, 2021 - MAR 01, 2023

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

Description of the Defect: The design (shape) of the bulkhead wall is such that it is possible for an

excessive accumulation of shredded paper in the space between the cutting

knives and the bulkhead wall.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: As the knives rotate in the shredding chamber, it is possible to compress any

build-up of shredded paper against the bulkhead wall, which generates friction and heat. The build-up and compression of excess shredded paper, combined with the friction-related heat build-up creates a potential fire risk.

Description of the Cause: NR

Identification of Any Warning The presence of a burning odour, or visible smoke; visual inspection of the

that can Occur: cutting chamber may reveal dark colouration or blueing of metal components,

which indicates excessive heat.

## **Involved Components:**

Component Name: NR

Component Description: NR

Component Part Number: NR

## **Supplier Identification:**

## **Component Manufacturer**

Name: NR

Address: NR

NR

Country: NR

## **Chronology:**

The defect was identified in March, 2023 during pre-ship testing of a new MDS-4-33 build in our factory, at which time smoke was observed in the shredding chamber. Concurrent to this, on March 23, 2023, our Service team received a customer inquiry which cited the same condition of smoking in the shredding chamber, which reinforced the findings from the new build in our factory. Upon further investigation, it was determined that the design of the bulkhead wall allows the excessive build-up of shredded paper and potential for frictionheating, which can, in turn, cause a fire.

## **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: The remedy program consists of a bulkhead wall retrofit kit, which includes the redesigned bulkhead wall and the associated items required for field installation. We will schedule the field installation with our customers, and the retrofits will be completed by Shred-Tech service technicians. All costs associated with installation of the retrofit will be at Shred-Tech's expense.

How Remedy Component Differs The redesigned bulkhead wall is visibly different from the original from Recalled Component: bulkhead wall - the previous design has been removed from all bills of materials, and is no longer able to be installed on new builds.

Identify How/When Recall Condition The issue was identified in early March, 2023, on our production line – was Corrected in Production: upon validation of the defect, a redesign of the bulkhead wall was completed and implemented. All new builds after March 24, 2023 have, and will be equipped with, the redesigned bulkhead wall.

#### **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: Owner notifications are to be distributed pending completion of this

submission, and approval of the draft Safety Recall Notice uploaded on

this portal.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: NR - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date: APR 24, 2023 - MAY 31, 2023

### **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:

Address:

Country:

Company Phone:

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