

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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NEF-107DC 23V-685

Subject: Improperly Welded Cross Braces Above Air Tanks

Dear Mr. Ojeda:

This letter serves to acknowledge Hyundai Translead'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:

HYUNDAI TRANSLEAD/20'/40' 12PIN EXTEN CHASS/2022-2024

Mfr's Report Date: October 12, 2023

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V-685

Components: STRUCTURE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 562

Problem Description:

Hyundai Translead is recalling certain 2022-2024 CGN3-20/40 and CGNS-20/40 12-Pin extended chassis. The cross braces located above the chassis air tanks may have been improperly welded.

Consequence:

An improperly welded cross brace can detach from the vehicle, creating a road hazard. A falling cross brace may also damage the air tank airline, causing an unintended brake lock. Both scenarios can increase the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Owners are advised not to drive their vehicles until the repair has been performed. Hyundai Translead will work with owners and repair shops to apply welds and install brackets on cross braces, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed in October 2023. Owners may contact Hyundai Translead customer service at 1-800-251-0871.

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:

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.

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 49 U.S.C. § 30118(f), submission of eight consecutive quarterly reports followed by three annual reports is required. As described in 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. The first of three consecutive annual status reports will be due on, or before, 1 year after the eighth quarterly report was submitted.

Hyundai Translead's contact for this recall will be Debora Crews who may be reached by email at debora.crews@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement

