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6-21-12.

RE: NVS-21SAA, EQ12-001, IIE-045

DEAR SIRS:

WE SOLD THE SHURE POWER UNITS TO ONE CUSTOMER:

AMEREN UTILITY CO.
CONTACT: STAN PEZOLD
1525 GRATIOT ST.
ST. LOUIS, MO 63011
314-554-3585

AMEREN IS A UTILITY COMPANY.

SOLD ON	QUANTITY	PART #
7/6/10	1	1314-200
10/6/10	4	1315-200
2/1/11	1	1314-200
9/8/11	3	1314-100
1/24/12	1	1314-100
2/13/12	2	1315-200
3/7/12	5	1315-200

YOURS TRULY,

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

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1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

Via USPS Certified Mail
Warranty / Compliance Department
All Car Automotive Warehouse
206 Hutchins
Cahokia, IL 62206

NVS-215aa
EQ12-001
11E-045

Re: Safety Recall 11E-045

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Office of Defects Investigation (ODI), Recall Management Division (RMD) is conducting an equipment query (EQ) investigation in relation to certain Sure Power, Inc. battery separators that the manufacturer has decided contain a safety related defect that could cause a vehicle fire. This investigation has been assigned the identification EQ12-001.

In a letter dated October 20, 2011, Sure Power, Inc. (Sure Power) notified the NHTSA that it had decided certain Sure Power battery separators contain a safety related defect. Sure Power stated that certain battery separators, shipped to various distributors and vehicle manufacturers between February 2009 and June 2011, may experience an internal circuit board capacitor failure. A circuit board capacitor failure could lead to overheating, smoke, and, possibly, a fire during or following use. NHTSA assigned recall number 11E-045 to this matter. A copy of the respective notification is enclosed for your information.

Sure Power reported to NHTSA that it sold 13 of these defective battery separators to All Car Automotive Warehouse (your company).

The purpose of this request is to obtain a list of purchasers that were sold these battery separators so they are made aware of this safety defect decision and are able to determine the need for any similar safety recall on products they may have manufactured using the same equipment. It is also to request your company provide the requisite defect report should it agree that it manufactured and sold defective motor vehicles or motor vehicle equipment to its purchasers. It is further to ascertain whether your company manufactured and sold or distributed any defective equipment in the replacement market for which it may have responsibility for filing a report with NHTSA and conducting a recall campaign. Accordingly, we require the following information:

1. Provide a list of all customers that received the same or similarly defective Sure Power battery separators from your company and provide their company name, line of business (i.e. vehicle manufacturer, equipment manufacturer, distributor, etc.), address, phone number, contact person, quantity sold to each, and sale date.

2. State whether your company manufactured and sold or distributed any motor vehicle equipment containing these Sure Power battery separators and, if so, provide a list of all purchasers that received this equipment from your company and provide their company name, line of business (i.e. vehicle manufacturer, equipment manufacturer, distributor, etc.), address, phone number, contact person, quantity sold to each, and sale date.

Pursuant to Federal law, a manufacturer of motor vehicles or motor vehicle equipment must notify NHTSA, within five (5) business days, when they first learn a safety defect or a noncompliance with a Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard exists *in that equipment*. In the case of a defect or noncompliance in original equipment installed in the vehicles of more than one manufacturer, notification to NHTSA must be made by the original equipment manufacturer as to the equipment item, and by each vehicle manufacturer as to those vehicles it manufactured in which the defective equipment was installed. The content of that notification is specified in 49 U.S.C. 573.6, Defect and Noncompliance Information Report.

If your company has not received any of this equipment, or if your products are not available to be sold, offered for sale, delivered, or imported into the United States, please so state. If your company does not agree with Sure Power that a defect exists in these battery separators, you must submit a written response explaining your decision including all supporting documents, analysis, and/or test reports.

This letter is being sent to your company pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30166, which authorizes NHTSA to conduct any investigation that may be necessary to enforce Chapter 301 of Title 49. Your company's failure to respond promptly and fully to this letter could subject your company to civil penalties pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30165 or lead to an action for injunctive relief pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30163.

If your company claims that any of the information or documents provided in response to this information request constitute confidential commercial material within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4), or are protected from disclosure pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1905, your company must submit supporting information together with the materials that are the subject of the confidentiality request, in accordance with 49 CFR Part 512, as amended (69 Fed. Reg. 21409 et seq; April 21, 2004), to the Office of Chief Counsel (NCC-111), National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Room W41-227, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590. Your company is required to submit two copies of the documents containing allegedly confidential information (except only one copy of blueprints) and one copy of the documents from which information claimed to be confidential has been deleted. Please remember that the word "CONFIDENTIAL" must appear at the top of each page containing information claimed to be confidential, and the information must be clearly identified in accordance with 5 U.S.C. § 512.6.

Your company's written response must be submitted to this office within 10 days of receiving this letter. In your response, please be certain to include a reference to this matter's identification number which is EQ12-001.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Alex Ansley of my staff at (202) 493-0481 or by e-mail at alexander.ansley@dot.gov. Response submissions may be made by US Mail, fax (202) 366-7882, or e-mail rmd.odi@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement

Enclosure