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Investigation: EQ 14-014
Prompted by: 14E-051
Date Opened: 11/21/2014
Investigator: Cynthia Glass
Approver: Jennifer Timian
Subject: Fuel Filter May Separate

MANUFACTURER & PRODUCT INFORMATION

Manufacturer: Cummins Inc.
Products: Cummins Filtration Fleetguard UFF-XT Fuel Filter
Population: 63,600 (Estimated)

Problem Description: The fuel filter shell may separate from the fuel filter nut plate causing the engine to stall without warning.

ACTION / SUMMARY INFORMATION

Action: This EQ investigation is Opened.

Summary:

On July 29, 2014, Cummins, Inc. (Cummins) notified the NHTSA that it decided a defect exists in certain Fleetguard UFF-XT fuel filters, part number FF63009, manufactured from April 25, 2014, to June 29, 2014 with a date code of 14115 through 14180. These fuel filters were installed on Cummins ISB engines built from April 28, 2014, to July 9, 2014 and ISL engines built from April 30, 2014, to July 8, 2014. The fuel filter shell may separate from the fuel filter nut plate causing the engine to stall without warning. If the engine stalls unexpectedly there is an increased risk of a crash. This matter was assigned recall number 14E-051.

Cummins provided NHTSA with a purchaser list identifying the manufacturers that may have incorporated these fuel filters into their vehicles. However, at this time, a Part 573 Report has not been filed by all of these potentially affected manufacturers.

The purpose of this EQ investigation is to write to the companies that purchased Cummins's fuel filters, notify them of this defect, and ensure thorough safety recalls are conducted where appropriate.