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The Muncie PTO pressure switch issue affects MY 2009-2014 Ford trucks. Lift bodies installed one PTO switch on a MY 2006 and one on a MY 2007. Therefore they did not need to file a 573 Report. This recall will be `Not Conducting'.
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June 18, 2014

US Dept. of Transportation
NHTSA
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
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Ref: Safety Recall **EQ 14-006** Response

We received information concerning the above safety recall number for the Muncie Power Products PTO assembly pressure switches. According to our records we received (3) of the effected PTO's from Muncie during the period of June 2009 - June 2013.

We purchased and installed two of the effected units for the same customer in December 2009. The third unit was purchased in August 2012, this unit was never installed and returned for credit to Muncie Power Products on March 19, 2013. I am attaching a copy of the Returned Merchandise Invoice from Muncie Power Products.

We have already verbally spoken with the customer and will be mailing them all of the information beginning June 30, 2014. Attached is a copy of the draft letter we will be sending to customer. If we need to make any corrections or add anything please let me know.

Thank you,
Danny Wagoner
Lift Bodies, Inc.

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EQ 14-006
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Safety Defect and Noncompliance Report Guide for *Vehicles*

PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report

Date: June 20, 2014

This report serves as Lift Bodies, Inc. notification to the U. S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that a defect related to motor vehicle safety exists in certain PTO assemblies. Lift Bodies, Inc. decided that this defect existed in these vehicles on June 17, 2014.

I. Manufacturer, Designated Agent, and Other Chain of Distribution Information

Manufacturer's corporate name: Lift Bodies, Inc.

Equipment's brand or trademark name owner(s) (where applicable): Not Applicable

Designated Agent (imported equipment): Muncie Power Products

If this notification concerns equipment that was installed in new motor vehicles or new items of motor vehicle equipment, identify by name, address, and telephone number each vehicle manufacturer and equipment manufacturer who purchased that equipment: Not Applicable

If this notification concerns a defective or noncompliant component that the above identified manufacturer did not manufacture, identify that component and provide the name, address and phone number of the manufacturer of the component (if this manufacturer is unknown, provide this information as to the supplier of the component): Muncie Power Products, Inc., P.O. Box 548, Muncie, Ind. 47308 www.munciepower.com Muncie part number: FR67-F1506-D4NX

Name, address, email, and phone and fax number for the person(s) to whom inquiries about this report should be directed: Danny Wagoner, P.O. Box 1321, North Wilkesboro, NC 28659, Telephone: 336-667-2588 Fax: 336-667-3057

Manufacturer's assigned campaign number (where applicable): Not applicable

II. Identification of the Recall Population and Its Size

Complete the tables below for each item of equipment subject to this notification. Additional tables may be necessary where there are more than three items subject to a notification.

Type of equipment (e.g., tire, child restraint, headlamp): Pressure Switch
Part/Model number: Muncie Power Products part no. – 30T37594
Size and function (where applicable): Approx. 2 X 1 inch, activates a light when pressure is seen
Inclusive dates of manufacture (month and year): June 2009 to June 2013
Other information necessary to describe this equipment: This component was used with PTO models FR67-F1506-D4NX.
Total number of these items of equipment: 3 units

Provide the following information as to all the items of equipment ("the recall population") identified above:

Grand total number of items of equipment in the recall population: 3 units

The percentage of the recall population you estimate actually contain the defect or noncompliance: <1%

Identify and describe how the recall population was determined (e.g., on what basis the recalled models were selected and how the inclusive dates of manufacture were determined): The population was determined by tracking installation dates of the affected PTO assemblies.

Describe how the recall population is different from any similar items of equipment not subject to this notification: The recall is specific to the 2009 – 2014 Ford F350 – F550 Super Duty chassis with the 6.8L gasoline engine. On this application the pressure switch is installed in close proximity of the engine exhaust pipe.

III. Description of the Defect or Noncompliance and Chronology of Events

Describe the defect or noncompliance, including a summary and detailed description of the nature and physical location (if applicable) of the defect or noncompliance. Graphic aids should be provided where necessary. The upfitter as part of the PTO installation does the final positioning of the pressure switch used to turn on the indicator light. If positioned to close to the exhaust, the switch can see excessive heat, damage the internal diaphragm, possibly leading to a seep of transmission fluid out the switches screw in the side of the body.

Describe the cause(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition. The installer could position the pressure switch too close to the engine exhaust pipe.

Describe the consequence(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition. The switch's rubber diaphragm could become brittle, allowing transmission fluid onto the opposite side (internal construction) of the diaphragm.

Identify any warning(s) that may precede the defect or noncompliance condition. During normal maintenance inspections, a visual notice of a transmission fluid seep from the pressure switch screw (on the side of the switch body) may be seen.

For defects, provide a dated, chronological summary of all the principle events that were the basis for the determination that the defect is related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information such as numbers of crashes, injuries and fatalities. No crashes, injuries, or fatalities. Feb. 2013: Altec Industries reported to Muncie Power Products that a thermal event occurred. The root cause was not determined. The vehicle was a total loss. July 2013: Altec Industries reported to Muncie Power Products that a second thermal event occurred. The root cause was not determined. The vehicle required minor repairs.

For noncompliances, identify the test results and other information considered in determining the existence of the noncompliance, and provide the date of each test and observation indicative of that compliance. Not Applicable.

IV. The Remedy Program and Its Schedule

Describe the program for remedying the defect or noncompliance, including the plan for reimbursing those owners and purchasers who may have incurred costs to remedy the defect or noncompliance before receiving the manufacturer's notification concerning that defect or noncompliance. Also include, where applicable, details with dates concerning any production remedy that was conducted or will be conducted. Lift Bodies, Inc contacted the customer by phone on June 18, 2014 and explained the issues and will follow up with a letter on June 30, 2014 restating these issues and the corrective action required. Muncie Power Products has offered at no charge a pressure switch kit to remedy the issue. The kit not only contains a new switch, but also a hose assembly to locate the switch further away from the heat source. Lift Bodies, Inc. will change out the pressure switch kit at no charge to the customer.

Provide the estimated date(s) on which owner and purchaser notifications will be issued and the estimated date(s) for completion of those notifications. Notification to the owners and purchasers will completed with the June 30, 2014 notification letter.

Provide the estimated date(s) on which dealer and distributor notifications will be issued and the estimated date(s) for completion of those notifications. Not Applicable.

Describe the distinguishing characteristics of the remedy component/assembly versus the recalled component/assembly. Not Applicable.

********** IMPORTANT REMINDERS **********

A DRAFT version of the letter that the manufacturer intends to mail to owners and purchasers notifying them of the defect and/or noncompliance must be submitted to NHTSA at least five Federal Government business days before those letters are issued. In addition, it is recommended that the draft version of the letter that the manufacturer intends to send to its dealers and distributors concerning the defect and/or noncompliance also be submitted for review. For prompt receipt and review, drafts may be submitted to the attention of the Recall Management Division (NVS-215) via facsimile on (202) 366-7882, or email to RMD.ODI@dot.gov.

A representative copy of all notices, bulletins, and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and which are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser, must be submitted to NHTSA no later than five days after they are initially sent. This requirement applies both to the final version of the notification letter that is sent to owners and purchasers, as well as the final version that is sent to dealers and distributors. It also includes any follow-up notifications issued concerning a recall. The representative copies of the letters sent to owners and purchasers, and dealers and distributors, must be submitted via certified mail. It is strongly recommended, however, that additional representative copies be submitted via facsimile on (202) 366-7882, or email to RMD.ODI@dot.gov, so that the submission can be more promptly reviewed. All submissions should be conspicuously labeled with the appropriate NHTSA-assigned recall number.