



U.S. Department
of Transportation

**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, DC 20590

May 27, 2005

GEORGE DANIELS
HINO MOTORS SALES U.S.A., INC.
25 CORPORATE DRIVE
ORANGEBURG NY 10962

NVS-215
05V-240

Subject: BRAKE AIR LINE

Dear MR. DANIELS:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect or noncompliance information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this is the information that will be made available to the public.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

HINO/NJ8J/2005-2006
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NHTSA Campaign Number: 05V-240

Recall Date: May 18, 2005

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES, AIR:SUPPLY:HOSES, LINES/PIPING, AND FITTINGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 262

Summary:

ON CERTAIN TRUCK CAB AND CHASSIS VEHICLES, A BRAKE AIR LINE COULD BECOME DISCONNECTED.

Consequence:

THIS COULD CAUSE A DECREASE OF BRAKING ABILITY OR THE PARKING BRAKE TO APPLY WITHOUT BEING ACTIVATED, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL INSPECT EACH VEHICLE AND CHECK THE TORQUE ON THE NUTS. IF THE NUTS ARE NOT TORQUED PROPERLY, THEY WILL BE TIGHTENED TO THE PROPER SPECIFICATION. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON MAY 27, 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT HINO AT 1-248-648-6400.

Notes:

HINO RECALL NO. M0010. CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236.

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 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).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin during May 2005. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by July 30, 2005.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov or delia.lopez@NHTSA.dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Wallace

for George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement