



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

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NVS-215paw  
08V-144

**SUBJECT: CHECK VALVE MISSING/BENDIX SR-7**

DEAR MR. LAFON:

This letter serves to acknowledge Mack Trucks, Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect in the products described below for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30119.

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:**  
MACK/MR/2006-2007

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 08V-144

**Mfg's Report Date:** March 25, 2008

**Components:** SERVICE BRAKES, AIR: SUPPLY: CHECK VALVE

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 218

**Summary:**

MACK IS RECALLING 218 MY 2006-2007 MR TRUCKS. A CHECK VALVE WAS OMITTED FROM THE SECONDARY SUPPLY PORT OF THE SR-7 SPRING BRAKE MODULATING VALVE.

**Consequence:**

AS A RESULT, AN AIR LEAK IN THE SECONDARY OR PRIMARY SYSTEM MAY RESULT IN THE PARK BRAKES INADVERTENTLY APPLYING, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL ADD A CHECK VALVE TO THE SECONDARY SUPPLY PORT OF THE SR-7 SPRING BRAKE MODULATING VALVE AND WILL ALSO REPAIR THE SR-7 VALVE BY APPLYING A CHECK VALVE REPAIR KIT AS REQUIRED FOR THE BENDIX SAFETY RECALL (PLEASE SEE 07E-037). THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT APRIL 15, 2008. OWNERS MAY CONTACT MACK AT 1-800-528-6586.

**Notes:**

MACK RECALL NO. SC0337. CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6 except for the following items:

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 provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

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).

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. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

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@dot.gov](mailto:Patricia.wallace@dot.gov), [Delia.lopez@dot.gov](mailto:Delia.lopez@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Person". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and "P".

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