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December 04, 2008

U.S. Department Of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh St. S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

RE: Caterpillar Recall # 08E-041 DPF Bracket & Strap Recall
Caterpillar Recall # 08E-054 Aftertreatment Regeneration Device Extension Pipes

Information Requested under 573.6 (1)

This report is submitted by:

Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc.
27855 James Chapel Road
Holden, LA 70744

Information Requested under 573.6 (2)

H-3921 1F94247268 Pumper Eng S/N C9S01215
Recall # 08E-041 DPF Bracket & Strap Recall

H-3920 1F95281388 Aerial Eng S/N LEE18482
Recall # 08E-041 DPF Bracket & Strap Recall
Recall # 08E-054 Aftertreatment Regeneration Device Extension Pipes

H-3866 1F95244258 Eng S/N LEE11517
Recall # 08E-041 DPF Bracket & Strap Recall
Recall # 08E-054 Aftertreatment Regeneration Device Extension Pipes

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2008 DEC 18 10:35 AM
DEFECTS INVESTIGATION
RECALL MGMT DIV.

Information Requested under 573.6 (3)

Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc. has determined the above three units to be affected by these recalls.

Information Requested under 573.6 (4)

Per information received from Caterpillar, 100% of these three trucks are affected as outlined in (2)

Information Requested under 573.6 (7)

Attached are the two letters that we have given/sent to our customers with the affected units.

The permanent remedy for Recall # 08E-041 is for the customer to contact their local Caterpillar Service Center and make arrangements for them to replace the DPF Brackets.

The permanent remedy for Recall # 08E-054 is not going to be available from Caterpillar until Jan/Feb 2009. The letters to our customers explain about the Interim Corrective Action required every 1000 hrs or 15,000 miles. However, due to the duty cycle of these Fire Apparatus, we fully anticipate that the Permanent Corrective parts to be available before these units reach 1000 hrs or 15,000 miles.

We will notify the NHTSA with a follow up letter once the recall(s) affecting these three units are 100% remedied.

Sincerely,



John D. Wallace
Director of Chassis Engineering
Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc.



December 04, 2008

Pharr Fire Department
18 S Cage Boulevard 3rd Floor
Pharr, TX 78577

Chief Guzman,

I am writing to inform you of two Caterpillar recalls that affect two units that we have built for you.

H-3921 1F94247268 Pumper Eng S/N C9S01215
Recall # 08E-041 DPF Bracket & Strap Recall

H-3920 1F95281388 Aerial Eng S/N LEE18482
Recall # 08E-041 DPF Bracket & Strap Recall
Recall # 08E-054 Aftertreatment Regeneration Device Extension Pipes

As for 08E-041, Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc. was informed of this recall yesterday 03-Dec-08. The remedy to this recall is to contact your local Caterpillar Service Center and make arrangements for them to replace the DPF Brackets.

As for 08E-054, Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc. was informed of this recall back on 27-Aug-08. At that time we were informed that the permanent corrective parts would be available late 4th quarter of this year. We were planning on remedying this recall in-house prior to delivering the Aerial to you. We are now being told that the Permanent Corrective Action parts will not be available until Jan/Feb 2009.

The Interim Corrective Action is to replace the current extension pipe with the same pipe. This is projected to mitigate the defect until the Permanent Corrective Action is available. The extension pipe should be replaced every 1000 hrs or 15,000 miles

We fully anticipate that the Permanent Corrective parts to be available before the unit reaches 1000 hrs or 15,000 miles. Since Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc. had to slightly

modify the pipe being recalled, this modification will be required to be made to the Permanent Corrective pipe as well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John D. Wallace". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being more prominent.

John D. Wallace
Director of Chassis Engineering
Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc.



December 04, 2008

Eureka Hose Company #4
717 East Grant Street
Olyphant, PA 18447

Chief Doughton,

I am writing to inform you of two Caterpillar recalls that affect one unit that we have built for you.

H-3866 1F95244258 Eng S/N LEE11517
Recall # 08E-041 DPF Bracket & Strap Recall
Recall # 08E-054 Aftertreatment Regeneration Device Extension Pipes

As for 08E-041, the remedy to this recall is to contact your local Caterpillar Service Center and make arrangements for them to replace the DPF Brackets.

As for 08E-054, the Interim Corrective Action is to replace the current extension pipe with the same pipe. This is projected to mitigate the defect until the Permanent Corrective Action is available. The extension pipe should be replaced every 1000 hrs or 15,000 miles

We are being told that the Permanent Corrective Action parts will be available Jan/Feb 2009. We fully anticipate that the Permanent Corrective parts to be available before the unit reaches 1000 hrs or 15,000 miles. Since Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc. had to slightly modify the pipe being recalled, this modification will be required to be made to the Permanent Corrective pipe as well.

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