



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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MR. WILLIAM MOHR  
DIRECTOR, SERVICE OPERATIONS  
MITSUBISHI FUSO TRUCK OF AMERICA, INC.  
2015 CENTER SQUARE ROAD  
LOGAN TOWNSHIP, NJ 08085

NVS-215kjs  
09E-010

**SUBJECT: FMVSS 108/REPLACEMENT HALOGEN HIGH BEAM HEADLAMPS**

DEAR MR. MOHR:

This letter serves to acknowledge Mitsubishi Fuso Truck of America, Inc.'s (MFTA) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a noncompliance with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment," with the product listed below for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to Federal law.

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:**

KOITO/MR339043/9999  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FE639/1996-2004  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FE640/1996-2004  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FE649/1996-2004  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FG639/1996-2004  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FG649/1996-2004  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FH210/1996-2004  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FH211/1996-2004  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FK617/1996-2007  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FK61F/1996-2007  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FM617/1996-2007  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FM61F/1996-2007  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FM64F/1996-2007  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FM657/1996-2007  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FM65F/1996-2007

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 09E-010

**Mfg's Report Date:** March 27, 2009

**Components:** EXTERIOR LIGHTING:HEADLIGHTS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 156

**Summary:**

MITSUBISHI FUSO TRUCK OF AMERICA (MFTA) IS RECALLING 156 HALOGEN SEALED BEAM HIGH BEAM HEADLAMP ASSEMBLIES SOLD BETWEEN OCTOBER 24, 2007 AND DECEMBER 2, 2008, FOR USE AS REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT FOR CERTAIN MITSUBISHI FUSO TRUCKS. THESE LAMPS FAIL TO CONFORM TO THE SAE STANDARDS OR RECOMMENDED PRACTICES REFERENCED IN TABLE I OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NO. 108, "LAMPS, REFLECTIVE DEVICES, AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT."

**Consequence:**

THE PURPOSE OF THIS STANDARD IS TO REDUCE DEATHS AND INJURIES FROM MOTOR VEHICLE CRASHES BY PROVIDING ADEQUATE ILLUMINATION OF THE ROADWAY.

**Remedy:**

MFTA WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND REPLACE THE HEADLAMPS FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT APRIL 13, 2009. OWNERS MAY CONTACT MFTA AT 1-856-467-4500.

**Notes:**

MFTA'S RECALL NO. C1003910. CUSTOMERS MAY 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).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

The information in your noncompliance report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

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).

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5227, by email at [Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov](mailto:Kelly.Schuler@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 a long, sweeping underline.

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