



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

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Washington, DC 20590

June 5, 2009

MR. RICK VAN LAAR  
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NAVISTAR, INC.  
3300 WAYNE TRACE  
FORT WAYNE, IN 46806

NVS-215kjs  
09V-195

SUBJECT: BATTERY CABLE

DEAR MR. VAN LAAR:

This letter serves to acknowledge Navistar, Inc.'s (Navistar) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect in the vehicles described below for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to Federal laws.

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:**

INTERNATIONAL/5500I/2007-2010  
INTERNATIONAL/5600I/2007-2010  
INTERNATIONAL/5900I/2007-2010

**Mfg's Report Date:** May 29, 2009

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 09V-195

**Components:** ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:BATTERY:CABLES

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 45

**Summary:**

NAVISTAR IS RECALLING 45 MODEL YEAR 2007 THROUGH 2010 HEAVY DUTY TRUCKS MANUFACTURED BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 2007 AND MAY 15, 2009 EQUIPPED WITH FEATURE CODE 008875 SEALED BATTERY CABLES. THE PLASTIC COVER THAT SEALS THE TERMINAL OF THE CAB FEED BATTERY CABLE MAY PREVENT PROPER ELECTRICAL CONTACT WITH THE FUSE OR BATTERY TERMINAL POST RESULTING IN AN OPEN OR UNPROTECTED CIRCUIT.

**Consequence:**

AN OPEN CIRCUIT MAY RESULT IN SUDDEN LOSS OF CAB POWER OR ENGINE SHUT DOWN, POSSIBLY RESULTING IN A CRASH. AN UNPROTECTED CIRCUIT MAY CAUSE AN ELECTRICAL SHORT WHICH COULD RESULT IN A FIRE.

**Remedy:**

NAVISTAR WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND REPAIR THE AFFECTED VEHICLES FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT JUNE 26, 2009. OWNERS MAY CONTACT NAVISTAR AT 1-260-461-1890.

**Notes:**

NAVISTAR'S RECALL CAMPAIGN NO. 09503. OWNERS 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:

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,



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