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SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

Dear (customer name):

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Neville Welding Inc. has determined that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain wheel end studs shipped by our supplier. ArvinMeritor assembled these wheel end studs into hubs, which were then subsequently assembled into axles. These axles were assembled into dropdeck, grain hopper and flatbed trailers and sold to aftermarket customers between April 18, 2008 and June 4, 2008.

ArvinMeritor File: C8AE

NHTSA File: 08E-038

Description of Defect

The suspect wheel end studs were improperly tempered, potentially rendering them brittle and susceptible to fracture. If one wheel stud fractures, the remaining wheel studs are required to carry more load. If left in this loading condition, the remaining wheel studs may also fracture even if they are properly manufactured. The time between initial bolt fracture and subsequent bolt fracture will be dependent on loading and duty cycle and is unpredictable.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Neville Welding Inc. recommends that owners of vehicles originally equipped with ArvinMeritor axle assemblies containing the suspect studs use the inspection procedure provided in Arvin Meritor Technical Publication TP-0894 (a copy of which is attached). The repair procedure within this technical bulletin can be used to inspect and replace suspect studs.

NOTE: Not all studs will need to be replaced. Only replace studs that are suspect by following the identification procedure within the TP-0894.

The affected trailers should be repaired as soon as feasible by a vehicle manufacturers' authorized repair facility. This replacement program will be managed by ArvinMeritor, and will be at no expense to vehicle owners.

If you no longer own the trailer referenced above, please forward the new owner's name and mailing address to Neville Welding Inc., 5581 SW 50 St., Kingman, KS 67068, toll free 800-301-3487.

If you have any questions regarding this recall, you may contact us at:

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Or ArvinMeritor's On Trac Performance Plus Call Center, toll free 866-668-7221, fax 248-435-5580, e-mail: ontrac@ArvinMeritor.com

If you have already paid to have your wheel stud replaced for this condition, you may be eligible for reimbursement of the charges you paid for the replacement. To learn more about what you need to do to obtain reimbursement, please contact Neville Welding or ArvinMeritor at the numbers provided above.

If after attempting to have your vehicle repaired you believe you have not been able to have your vehicle remedied without charge and within a reasonable amount of time, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E., Washington, D.C., 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We apologize for any inconvenience this safety recall may cause. Neville Welding Inc. wants to assure you that we are concerned for customer safety and your continued satisfaction with your trailer.

Sincerely,

Jill C. Neville

Attachments
