



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

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NVS-215dgl  
10V-150

**SUBJECT: OVER-TORQUE OF NON-LMS HUBS**

**DEAR MR. BODEGRAVEN:**

This letter serves to acknowledge PACCAR Inc's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the vehicles listed below.

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:**

KENWORTH/T270/2010  
KENWORTH/T370/2010

**Mfg's Report Date:** April 8, 2010

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 10V-150

**Components:** POWER TRAIN: AXLE ASSEMBLY

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 23

**Summary:**

KENWORTH IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2010 T270 AND T370 TRUCKS EQUIPPED WITH NON-LMS HUBS. THE SPINDLE NUT ATTACHING THE HUB AND BEARING TO THE AXLE SPINDLE (STEER OR DRIVE) MAY HAVE BEEN OVER-TORQUED DURING THE HUB INSTALLATION PROCESS.

**Consequence:**

AN OVER-TORQUE OF THE SPINDLE NUT MAY CAUSE THE BEARING TO SEIZE, POSSIBLY RESULTING IN THE OVERHEATING OF THE WHEEL END. AS A RESULT, A WHEEL END FIRE MAY OCCUR.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE BEARINGS FREE OF CHARGE. THE SPINDLE AND HUB WILL BE INSPECTED FOR SCORING AND REPLACED IF NECESSARY. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING MAY 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT KENWORTH AT 425-828-5440.

**Notes:**

KENWORTH RECALL NO. 10KWA. 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).

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

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 close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Delia Lopez who may be reached by phone at 202-366-9525, or by email at [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 toward a successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Person', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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