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of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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MR. WILLIAM BYRNES
VICE PRESIDENT
ELGIN SWEEPER COMPANY
1300 WEST BARTLETT ROAD
ELGIN, IL 60120

NVS-215kjs
10V-350

SUBJECT: SUSPENSION CONTROL ARM AND TOWER WELDS

DEAR MR. BYRNES:

This letter serves to acknowledge Elgin Sweeper Company's (Elgin) 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:
ELGIN/BROOM BEAR/2007-2010

NHTSA Campaign Number: 10V-350 **Mfg's Report Date:** July 27, 2010

Components: SUSPENSION

Potential Number of Units Affected: 52

Summary:
ELGIN SWEEPER IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2007 THROUGH 2010 BROOM BEAR STREET SWEEPERS, MOUNTED IN INTERNATIONAL 4300 CHASSIS ONLY, MANUFACTURED FROM MAY 2007 THROUGH MARCH 2010. THE CHASSIS SUSPENSION REAR CONTROL ARMS AND TOWER MAY NOT HAVE BEEN PROPERLY WELDED TO SPECIFICATION.

Consequence:

THE WELDS CAN CRACK CAUSING THE CONTROL ARMS OR TOWER TO SEPARATE FROM THE AXLE. SHOULD THIS OCCUR WHILE THE VEHICLE IS MOTION, THE OPERATOR CAN LOOSE STEERING CONTROL POSSIBLY RESULTING IN PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH.

Remedy:

ELGIN SWEEPER WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND REPAIRS WILL BE PERFORMED BY CERTIFIED WELDERS FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT AUGUST 16, 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT ELGIN SERVICE DEPARTMENT AT 1-877-342-5374.

Notes:

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.

We have received Elgin's proposed owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577. 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 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter in which the campaign was initiated. Thereafter, quarterly reports will be due on or before 30 days after close of the calendar quarter.

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, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for the successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian
Acting Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement