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of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215kjs
10V-386

SUBJECT: UNEXPECTED ENGINE SHUTDOWN

DEAR MR. TEREFINO:

This letter serves to acknowledge Kovatch Mobile Equipment, Corp.'s (KME) 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:
KME/PREDATOR/2007-2009

NHTSA Campaign Number: 10V-386 **Mfg's Report Date:** August 26, 2010

Components: ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 64

Summary:

KME IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2007 THROUGH 2009 PREDATOR MODEL EMERGENCY VEHICLES MANUFACTURED FROM OCTOBER 15, 2007 THROUGH NOVEMBER 23, 2009, AND EQUIPPED WITH DETROIT DIESEL SERIES 60 ENGINES. THE SOFTWARE ON THESE ENGINES MAY CAUSE THE ENGINE TO SHUT DOWN UNEXPECTEDLY WHEN A DIESEL PARTICULATE FILTER OVER-TEMPERATURE CONDITION IS DETECTED.

Consequence:

UNEXPECTED EMERGENCY VEHICLE ENGINE SHUTDOWN COULD HAMPER RESCUE OPERATIONS AND PUT FIRST RESPONDERS AND OR THE PUBLIC AT RISK.

Remedy:

ALL CUSTOMERS WITH AFFECTED VEHICLES HAVE BEEN CONTACTED BY DAIMLER TRUCKS AND REPAIRS WILL BE PERFORMED BY DETROIT DIESEL. PLEASE SEE DAIMLER TRUCKS/DETROIT DIESEL'S DEFECT REPORT 10E-005. OWNERS MAY CONTACT DETROIT DIESEL AT 1-800-547-0712 OR ON LINE [HTTP://WWW.DETROITDIESEL.COM/SUPPORTNETWORK](http://www.detroitdiesel.com/supportnetwork).

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).

As stated in your report, we understand that Detroit Diesel will be conducting this safety recall. However, since KME is responsible for the defect in accordance with 49 CFR §573.5, please be advised that if Detroit Diesel's safety recall campaign is not successful, the agency may require KME to conduct a follow-up notification.

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,



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Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement