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September 20, 2010

George Person (NVS-215)
Chief of Recall Management
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington DC 20590

Vehicle Recall: **Battery Switch**

Dear Mr. Person:

Pierce has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in the motor vehicles listed below. We therefore furnish notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573, Defect and Noncompliance Reports.

Manufacturer's Identification Code: 39-0139830

1. Name of Manufacturer and Corporate contact:

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2. Identification of Vehicle Classification:

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| Make: | Pierce |
| Model Years Involved: | 2010 |
| Models: | Saber, Custom Contender |
| Mfg. Date Beginning: | 3/25/2010 |
| Mfg. Date Ending: | 6/22/2010 |

3. Number of Potentially Affected Vehicles: 55 (52 US, 3 Canada)

4. Estimated Percentage of Vehicles Containing the Defect: 100%

5. Description of the Defect: On certain Pierce custom fire apparatus the battery switch positive electrical post may come in contact with the driver seat base reinforcement. If this happens a short circuit may start a fire. The fire could happen without warning.

6. Chronology of Principal Events:

May 12, 2010 – One truck caught fire in the battery switch electrical harness. Subsequent investigation revealed the positive battery post interference with the driver seat base reinforcement.

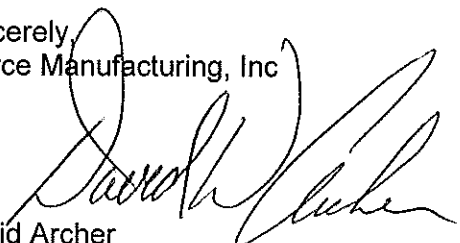
August 9, 2010 – Field campaign released to the dealer network. 15 vehicles have been remedied as of 09/20/2010.

- 7. Corrective Action:** The battery switch post will be inspected for contact with the driver seat base reinforcement. If contact is found, the electrical harnesses will be inspected for heat damage. The harnesses will be replaced as needed. Lastly the battery switch disconnect mounting plate will be replaced. The new plate has a locating pin to position the battery switch in the proper orientation.

The safety recall is expected to begin during October 2010.

- 8. Representative Notices:** Included with this report.

Sincerely,
Pierce Manufacturing, Inc



David Archer
Director of Engineering, Cab, Chassis and Electrical