



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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HINO MOTORS SALES, USA, INC.
41180 BRIDGE STREET
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NVS-215kjs
11V-013

SUBJECT: SPRING BRAKE /AIR LINE ROUTING

DEAR MR. DANIELS:

This letter serves to acknowledge Hino Motors Sales, USA, Inc. (Hino) 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:

HINO/NJ8J/2011
HINO/NV8J/2011

NHTSA Campaign Number: 11V-013 **Mfg's Report Date:** January 14, 2011

Components: SERVICE BRAKES, AIR

Potential Number of Units Affected: 146

Summary:

HINO IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2011 NJ8J AND NV8J HEAVY TRUCKS MANUFACTURED FROM OCTOBER 26, 2009, THROUGH OCTOBER 1, 2010. TWO OF THE AIR LINES TO THE FRONT AND REAR AIR TANKS MAY HAVE BEEN INSTALLED INCORRECTLY.

Consequence:

IN THE EVENT THAT THE REAR TANK AIR PRESSURE WAS DEPLETED, BRAKING FUNCTION WOULD BE LOST AND THE AUTOMATIC ENGAGEMENT OF THE SPRING BRAKES WILL NOT OCCUR, POSSIBLY RESULTING IN A CRASH.

Remedy:

HINO WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND DEALERS WILL REPAIR THE VEHICLES FREE OF CHARGE. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED A NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT HINO AT 1-248-699-9300.

Notes:

HINO'S RECALL CAMPAIGN NUMBER IS M0200. 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 does **not** satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6. The report is missing the required chronology of events that were the basis for your defect decision, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information, with their dates of receipt. Please provide this information as soon as possible.

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, 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
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement