



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

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11V-297

**SUBJECT: BOOM LIFT CYLINDER**

**DEAR MR. CHARD:**

This letter serves to acknowledge Altec Industries, Inc.'s (Altec) 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:**

ALTEC/DM45/2008-2009  
ALTEC/DM47/2008-2009  
ALTEC/DM50/2008-2009

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 11V-297

**Mfg's Report Date:** May 18, 2011

**Components:** EQUIPMENT

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 227

**Summary:**

ALTEC IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2008-2009 DM 45, DM 47 AND DM 50 DIGGER DERRICK UTILITY VEHICLES MANUFACTURED FROM JANUARY 2010 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2010. THESE UNITS MAY HAVE CRACKS IN THE BOOM LIFT CYLINDER ROD EYE CASTING THAT CAN CAUSE THE CASTING TO FAIL.

**Consequence:**

IF THE ROD EYE CASTING FAILS, THE BOOM MAY SUDDENLY FALL CAUSING DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY.

**Remedy:**

ALTEC WILL INSPECT THE LIFT CYLINDER ROD EYE CASTING FOR CRACKS. ANY CYLINDERS FOUND WITH CRACKS WILL BE REPLACED FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING JUNE 2011. OWNERS MAY CONTACT ALTEC AT 1-877-462-5832.

**Notes:**

ALTEC SAFETY RECALL NO. CSN 545. 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 required in Part 573.6.6, in the case of a defect, a chronology of all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information, with their dates of receipt.

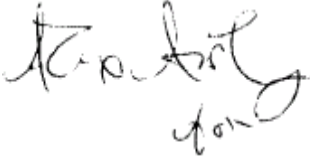
Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

We have received your proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete. 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 the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Delia Lopez who may be reached by phone at 1-202-366-9525, 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 "Jennifer Timian". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

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