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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Ave SE  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: **Meritor RPL25 Driveline Assemblies**  
**Peterbilt Recall No.: 611-A**

Dear Ms. Timian:

PACCAR Inc is furnishing notice to NHTSA in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 "Defect and Noncompliance Reports" of its intention to voluntarily recall the chassis listed below. This motor vehicle safety defect involves vehicles manufactured by the Peterbilt Motors Company division of PACCAR Inc.

Manufacturer - 573.6(c)(1)  
Peterbilt Motors Company  
1700 Woodbrook Street  
Denton, Texas 76205

Identification of Affected Vehicles - 573.6(c)(2)  
The affected Peterbilt models are certain 2012 Peterbilt model 587 vehicles.

Population of Affected Vehicles - 573.6(c)(3)  
Certain Peterbilt model 587 vehicles manufactured between January 12, 2011 and May 20, 2011.

Number of Vehicles Known to Contain Defect - 573.6(c)(4)  
Peterbilt has delivered 72 vehicles, all of which are registered within the United States, that may have the safety defect more fully described immediately below.

Description of the Defect - 574.6(c)(5)  
Driveline assemblies produced at Peterbilt component supplier Meritor's Maxton, North Carolina plant with tubing that had been processed by ArcelorMittal at its Marion Ohio facility may have a seam weld with insufficient bonding. The affected driveline assemblies are RPL25 coupling shafts and slip shafts (main) driveline assemblies.

Chronology of Events Leading to Recall - 574(c)(6)

On May 12, 2011, Meritor wrote Peterbilt Motors Company and informed it of the defective seam weld in certain driveline assemblies. Subsequent to the communication, Peterbilt opened an internal investigation relating to the matter. The investigation revealed there were no incidents of driveline separation or injury. However, on June 15, the Peterbilt recall committee recommended initiating a safety-related recall.

Description of Remedy - 573.6(c)(8)

Peterbilt dealers will replace the main drive shaft on the affected vehicles.

Communications Sent to Dealers and Owners - 573(c)(10)

Peterbilt will notify dealers and customers within the next 30 days.

Copy of Proposed Owner Notification Letter - 573.6(c)(11)

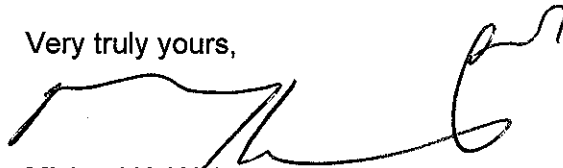
A draft of the customer letter will be sent NHTSA's Recall Management Division to review and approve.

Identification of Recall Schedule - 573.6(c)(12)

The Peterbilt number for this campaign is "611-A."

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,



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PACCAR Inc