



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Jim Olson  
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NVS-215KS  
13V-160

**Subject:** Aerial Device Leveling Arm may Fail

Dear Mr. Olson:

This letter serves to acknowledge Terex South Dakota, Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) 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:**

TEREX/AERIAL DEVICES/1998-2005

**Mfr's Report Date:** April 24, 2013

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 13V-160

**Components:**

EQUIPMENT

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 500

**Problem Description:**

Terex South Dakota, Inc. (Terex) is recalling certain model year 1998-2005 OM Aerial Devices used on utility trucks. The leveling arm at the elbow can develop fatigue cracks.

**Consequence:**

Fatigue cracks may cause the leveling arm to fail. If the arm fails while the aerial device is in use, the platform may move unexpectedly, increasing the risk of injury to the operator or those nearby.

**Remedy:**

Terex will notify owners to inspect their unit immediately and arrange repairs with Terex or dealers. Repairs will be performed free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact Terex at 1-605-884-3892. Terex's recall campaign number is SN606.

**Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to [www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov).

We have received Terex's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to provide an estimated date including month, day, and year, when you will send notifications to owners, dealers, and distributors as soon as it becomes available. Please be reminded that it is expected owners will be notified of a safety defect in their vehicles within 60 days of a manufacturer's notification to NHTSA of a safety defect in those vehicles.

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 Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at [kelly.schuler@dot.gov](mailto:kelly.schuler@dot.gov) or through the office email at [rmd.odi@dot.gov](mailto:rmd.odi@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



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Enforcement