



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Timothy Lafon  
Director, Regulatory Affairs  
Mack Trucks, Inc.  
7900 National Service Rd.  
Greensboro, NC 27409

NVS-215KS  
13V-195

**Subject:** Possible Partial Loss of Brake Function

Dear Mr. Lafon:

This letter serves to acknowledge Mack Trucks, 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:**

MACK/CHU/2013-2014  
MACK/CXU/2013-2014  
MACK/GU/2013-2014  
MACK/LEU/2013-2014  
MACK/MRU/2013-2014

**Mfr's Report Date:** May 10, 2013

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 13V-195

**Components:**

SERVICE BRAKES

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 5,203

**Problem Description:**

Mack Trucks, Inc. is recalling certain model year 2013-2014 CHU, CXU, GU, MRU, and LEU trucks manufactured July 16, 2012, through March 18, 2013 and equipped with drum brakes. The clevis pin for the brake slack adjuster may be missing a cotter pin. If the cotter pin is not installed, the clevis pin may loosen and fall out causing a loss of brake function on the affected wheel.

**Consequence:**

A loss of brake function at one wheel will lead to increased stopping distances and pulling to the left or right when braking, which may increase the risk of a crash.

**Remedy:**

Mack Trucks, Inc. will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the brake slack adjusters and install the brake hardware, as necessary, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on, or before, June 17, 2013. Owners may contact Mack Trucks at 1-800-528-6586. Mack Trucks' recall campaign number is SC0370.

**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).

Please 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 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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Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigations  
Enforcement