



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

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Ms. Pamela Tonglao
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NVS-215KS
13V-243

Subject: Misaligned Tread Plate may cause a Slip

Dear Ms. Tonglao:

This letter serves to acknowledge PACCAR Incorporated'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:
KENWORTH/T440/2013-2014

Mfr's Report Date: June 7, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V-243

Components:
EQUIPMENT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 19

Problem Description:

PACCAR is recalling certain model year 2013-2014 T440 trucks manufactured July 19, 2012, through March 20, 2013. The tread plate is installed on the entry steps such that it does not align with the cab door opening. As such, it leaves a section of the step without sufficient slip prevention.

Consequence:

The absence of a slip-resistant surface could cause a person to slip and become injured while climbing into or out of the cab.

Remedy:

PACCAR will notify owners and dealers will install a new step assembly free of charge. The recall is expected to begin by mid July 2013. PACCAR's recall number is 13KWG. Owners may contact PACCAR at 1-425-468-7400.

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.

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 or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

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