



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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Kalmer Urm
Warranty Manager
Hino Motors Sales U.S.A., Inc.
41280 Bridge Street
Novi, MI 48375

NVS-215KS
14V-791

Subject: Parking Brake may Release or not fully Engage

Dear Kalmer Urm:

This letter serves to acknowledge Hino Motors Sales U.S.A., 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:

HINO/ND8J/2005-2015
HINO/NE8J/2005-2015
HINO/NF8J/2005-2015

Mfr's Report Date: December 10, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V-791

Components:

PARKING BRAKE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 8,140

Problem Description:

Hino Motor Sales U.S.A., Inc. (Hino) is recalling certain model year 2005-2015 Hino ND8J, NE8J, and NF8J trucks manufactured August 26, 2003, to May 14, 2014. In the affected vehicles, components of the parking brake handle assembly may wear, resulting in either the parking brake unexpectedly releasing when engaged or preventing the parking brake from fully engaging.

Consequence:

Either parking brake condition may result in the vehicle rolling unexpectedly, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Hino will notify owners, and dealers will install a new parking brake lever that contains a two-way damper and a roller at the cable joining pin, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin on February 8, 2015. Owners may contact Hino customer service at 1-248-699-9330. Hino's number for this recall is A9970. Note: This recall supersedes 13V-614.

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 a large initial "J" and "T".

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