



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. J. Michael Harris  
Mitsubishi Fuso Truck of America, Inc.  
2015 Center Square Road  
Logan Township, NJ 08085

NVS-215SM  
15V-195

**Subject:** Lower Timing Chain Bolt may be Loose

Dear Mr. Harris:

This letter serves to acknowledge Mitsubishi Fuso Truck of America, 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:**

MITSUBISHI FUSO/FEC72/2014-2015  
MITSUBISHI FUSO/FEC92/2012-2015

**Mfr's Report Date:** March 30, 2015

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 15V-195

**Components:**

ENGINE

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 25

**Problem Description:**

Mitsubishi Fuso Truck of America, Inc. (MFTA) is recalling certain model year 2014-2015 FEC72 vehicles manufactured November 8, 2013, to January 28, 2014, and 2012-2015 FEC92 vehicles manufactured April 22, 2011, to February 1, 2014. On the affected vehicles, the lower engine timing chain bolt may have been insufficiently tightened during assembly.

**Consequence:**

A timing chain bolt that was not properly tightened may result in an engine oil leak, possibly causing the engine to seize, increasing the risk of a crash.

**Remedy:**

MFTA will notify owners, and dealers will tighten the lower engine timing chain bolt to the proper torque, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. MFTA's number for this recall C1007710.

**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).

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 required that owners 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.

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

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 Sarah Mcshane who may be reached by phone at 202-366-7401, or by email at [sarah.mcshane@dot.gov](mailto:sarah.mcshane@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