



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

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Washington, DC 20590

September 4, 2015

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

NVS-215KS
15V-504

Subject: Brake Pad Shims may Corrode

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/fec52/2012-2015
mitsubishi fuso/fec72/2012-2014
mitsubishi fuso/fec92/2012-2014

Mfr's Report Date: August 6, 2015

NHTSA Campaign Number: 15V-504

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC:FOUNDATION COMPONENTS:DISC:PADS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 7,104

Problem Description:

Mitsubishi Fuso Truck of America, Inc. (MFTA) is recalling certain model year 2012-2015 FEC52 vehicles manufactured February 3, 2011, to March 31, 2015 and 2012-2014 FEC72 and FEC92 vehicles manufactured February 3, 2011, to January 9, 2013. The affected vehicles have brake pad shims that may rust or corrode after exposure to snow and ice melting chemicals that have been applied to roadways.

Consequence:

Rust or corrosion will result in swelling of the shims causing an increased brake pedal stroke. The extra brake travel may lengthen the distance needed to stop the vehicle, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

MFTA will notify owners, and dealers will replace any steel brake pad shims with stainless steel shims, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. MFTA's number for this recall is C1008010.

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.

This recall was the subject of a preliminary evaluation, PE15-009, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

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).

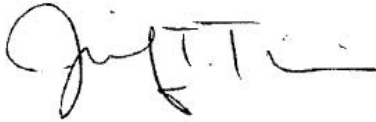
You are required to provide an estimated date including month, day, and year, when you will send notifications to owners, dealers, and distributors as soon as it becomes available. Please be reminded that it is required that owners be notified of a safety defect in their vehicles within 60 days of a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



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