



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Roger Lackore
Director of Product Safety
McNeilus Truck & Manufacturing, Inc.
2307 Oregon St.
Oshkosh, WI 54903-2566

NVS-215MR
15V-720

Subject: Hydraulic Test Port Tube Failure Causing Fire

Dear Mr. Lackore:

This letter serves to acknowledge McNeilus Truck & Manufacturing, 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:

MCNEILUS/ATLANTIC FRONT LOADER/2012-2015
MCNEILUS/CONTENDER FRONT LOADER/2012-2015
MCNEILUS/PACIFIC FRONT LOADER/2012-2015
MCNEILUS/ULTRA FRONT LOADER/2012-2015

Mfr's Report Date: October 30, 2015

NHTSA Campaign Number: 15V-720

Components:

ENGINE
EQUIPMENT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 729

Problem Description:

McNeilus Truck & Manufacturing, Inc. (McNeilus) is recalling certain model year 2012-2015 Atlantic, Pacific, Contender, and Ultra front loader refuse trucks manufactured March 2, 2012, to October 14, 2015 and equipped with an optional hydraulic test port tube for check hydraulic system pressures and taking hydraulic fluid samples. This tube may crack or break and allow hydraulic fluid to contact hot exhaust and turbo components.

Consequence:

Hydraulic fluid contacting hot exhaust and turbo components increases the risk of a fire.

Remedy:

McNeilus will notify owners, and dealers will remove the optional hydraulic test port tube, and cap off the hydraulic test inlet port, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin November 30, 2015. Owners may contact McNeilus customer service at 1-888-686-7278. McNeilus' number for this recall is VSR-TSB-014.

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.

We have received McNeilus' proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

The models affected by this recall were provided in the "Comments to NHTSA Staff" section of the Defect Information Report (DIR) and do not show on the DIR and thus are not publicly viewable. Please do not use this section for information that is essential to the recall.


Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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 Michelle Rice who may be reached by phone at 202-366-1060, or by email at michelle.rice@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