Part 573 Safety Recall Report 15T-020

Manufacturer Name : Michelin North America, Inc.
Submission Date : JAN 23, 2017
NHTSA Recall No. : 15T-020
Manufacturer Recall No. : NR

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Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Michelin North America, Inc.
Address : One Parkway South
Greenville SC 29615
Company phone : 864-422-4985

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 247
Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Tire Information :

Tire Brand 1 : Michelin
Tire Line : X Works XZY
Tire Size : 315/80R22.5 156/150K
Descriptive Information : All position heavy truck tire for mixed use in on/off road conditions.
Production Dates : JAN 01, 2011 - JUL 31, 2015

TIN (Tire Identification Number)

Plant ID	Size code	OptionalCode	Begin M Code	End M Code
B5	J6	010X	0111	3015
HJ	J6	010X	0111	3015

Description of Noncompliance :

Description of the Noncompliance : A limited number of tires released in the US market lack the required DOT symbol and load range letter designation.
FMVSS 1 : 119 - New pneumatic tires- other than passenger cars
FMVSS 2 : NR
Description of the Safety Risk : None -
a.) The tires meet all applicable FMVSS 119 performance requirements;
b.) The tires are marked with a maximum load capacity and load index aligned to an ETRTO published standard load capacity and index for single and dual applications;
Description of the Cause : A data entry error in an internal system improperly identified the tire as approved for sale and use in US market.
Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : Not applicable

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name :	NR
Address :	NR
	NR
Country :	NR

Chronology :

June 22, 2015 - Initial alert from Marketing & Sales of potential sale of improperly marked tires in the US market;
July 2015 - Analysis of inventory records, sales records, production records, and tire specifications;
August 2015 - Confirmation of tire compliance with applicable performance requirements of FMVSS 119;
September 14, 2015 - Completed assessment shows the non-compliance is limited to FMVSS 119 S6.5(j) load range designation and 49 USC 30112 certification (DOT symbol)
September 18, 2015 - Part 573 Noncompliance Information Report filed
October 1, 2015 - 15T020 Petition for a Finding of Inconsequential Noncompliance filed
October 2016 to January 2017 - Discussions with NHTSA regarding pending Petition for a Finding of Inconsequential Noncompliance
January 17, 2017 - Settlement agreement executed with NHTSA agreeing to conduct a voluntary recall
January 23, 2017 - Amended Part 573 Noncompliance Report filed

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program :	MNA will initiate a voluntary noncompliance recall of the subject tires. The owners that may have purchased tires of the specified date range will be contacted by first class mail beginning the week of February 13, 2017. This correspondence will explain the issue and include specific instructions on how to obtain correction of the improperly marked tires or replacement of the improperly marked tires. Owners may contact Michelin at 1-888-847-8475. All tires in the specified date range will be corrected by permanently applying the proper DOT symbol and load range letter, or replaced with a different product of similar service capability. Any subject tires that are recovered and replaced will be scrapped, or exported to and sold in markets outside of the United States for which they were originally intended.
How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component :	A remedy by branding would permanently apply to the tire sidewall the required marking content, including the DOT symbol and load range letter. A remedy by replacement will be a different product of similar service capability.
Identify How/When Recall Condition	Immediate action was taken to correct the administrative data entry error in the internal information system, preventing further unintended sales of

was Corrected in Production :	this tire in the US replacement market.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule :	MNA will begin notifying dealers and known purchasers beginning February 13, 2017
Planned Dealer Notification Date :	FEB 13, 2017 - MAR 13, 2017
Planned Owner Notification Date :	FEB 13, 2017 - MAR 13, 2017

Purchaser Information :

The following manufacturers purchased this defective/noncompliant equipment for possible use or installation in new motor vehicles or new items of motor vehicle equipment:

Name :	NR
Address :	NR
	NR
Country :	NR
Company Phone :	NR

* NR - Not Reported