

Federal Recall Information

15KWB

Supplier

Meritor

Description

Meritor MT-40-14X drive axles with inadequate lubricant

Release Date

5/22/2015

Introduction

Kenworth Truck Company has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain model year 2015-2016 Kenworth T680 and T880 trucks manufactured November 17, 2014, to January 5, 2015. A total of 24 US chassis are involved in this recall.

Situation

An incorrectly configured Bill of Material (BOM) at Meritor resulted in certain Meritor MT-40-14X rear-rear drive axles being built with axle housings where the lubricant fill hole is placed too low. This placement of the lubricant fill does not allow for sufficient lubricant levels inside the axle. The lower lubricant level may result in insufficient lubrication of the wheel-end bearings increasing the risk of bearing failure.

Without adequate lubrication to the wheel end hub assembly, the bearings may fail prematurely, increasing the risk of a wheel-end fire or crash.

Resolution

Kenworth will notify owners, and dealers will replace the defective rear drive axle and inspect the wheel ends for damage, replacing them, as needed, free of charge.

It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to sell or lease new vehicles covered by this recall until the defect or noncompliance has been corrected.

Warranty

There is no time or mileage limit for this recall. Kenworth will pay for parts at dealer net plus applicable mark-up and labor:

- 4.5 hours labor to (R&R Rear Axle Assembly including transfer of parts not provided with axle housing and alignment). (Use the quick claim based on the part number below).
- File a long claim for extraordinary circumstances (which must be explained and in addition to the standard quick claim).

CLAIM CODING			
Failure Location:	022-001-001	Work Accomplished:	35
Failure Type:	705	Responsibility Code:	05
SRT Code:	022-021	Claim Type:	C

Parts

Parts are available from PACCAR Parts through the PDC or Meritor Direct Ship Program.

See Dealer\Chassis List for the kit for your chassis.

Axle Ratio Specification #	KIT PN #	Quick Claim
MR2014X3DCRNN534-411	FRK15-10165	15KWBA
MR2014X3DCRNN534-433	FRK15-10166	15KWBB
MR2014X3DCRNN534-355	FRK15-10167	15KWBC

Filing a quick claim will auto generate shipping instructions. Please send take-off parts to Meritor.

*Meritor Inc. - CPRC (Central Parts Return Center)
Attn: Warranty Analysis (Program # C15AC)
7975 Dixie Hwy
Florence, KY 41042*

OR: For shipping Contact

- OnTrac at 1-866-668-7221
 - Select the Axle Queue
 - Request C15AC return (multiple axles per return shipment preferred)
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Procedure

 [Axle R&R Procedures](#)

 [Air Disc Brake R&R Procedures](#)

 [Air Drum Brake R&R Procedures](#)

 [Axle Hub Bearing Inspection](#)

Attachments

 [Dealer\Chassis List](#)

 [Customer Letter](#)

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