



MARCH 2015

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL 15V-111

Dear McNeilus Vehicle Owner:

Ref: McNeilus Bridgemaster V Concrete Mixers

VIN: <<NOTE: Either insert VIN or reference attached VIN list>>

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

McNeilus has decided that McNeilus Bridgemaster V Concrete Mixers built with an optional parking brake system fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 121 Air Brake Systems. These vehicles were shipped between October 2005 and December 2014.

! I M P O R T A N T !

- Your McNeilus Vehicle is being recalled.
- You should complete the recall repair as soon as possible, or contact our service group at 1-888-686-7278 to schedule an appointment for the inspection and remedy.
- This remedy will result in **no cost** to you.

Why is a recall being conducted?

McNeilus has determined that Bridgemaster V Concrete Mixers built with an optional parking brake system on the trailing liftable axle fail to comply with FMVSS 121 Air Brake Systems. Vehicles built with this optional parking brake system were built with a valve that fails to comply with FMVSS 121 by allowing the secondary pressure to fall below the required pressure in a simulated bleed down test. If the primary braking system were to fail, the emergency brake system may not achieve the level of performance required increasing the risk of a crash.

What are we doing about the problem?

For each vehicle, McNeilus is:

- Providing instructions for inspection & repair of the vehicle through the enclosed Technical Service Bulletin (TSB).
- Providing instruction for installing a check valve in the air brake system, if determined the component is part of this recall.

What should you do?

- Inspect your vehicle to determine if the unit has an optional parking brake system installed per the attached instructions.

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- Affected units will be repaired by the customer's own technicians. The repairs should take approximately 2.0 hours. As an addendum to this letter, McNeilus is providing a Technical Service Bulletin (TSB) that details the repair process for this defect. The process for reimbursement is detailed in the TSB.
- The inspection & repair of the vehicle should be performed at the earliest opportunity. McNeilus anticipates that owners will continue to place their vehicles in service until the recall actions can be completed.
- If you have any questions or require further assistance, contact McNeilus at 1-888-686-7278.

What if you no longer own this vehicle?

If you no longer own this vehicle, please contact McNeilus at 1-888-686-7278 to assist us in updating our records.

Who should you contact if you have further questions or concerns?

If you have further questions, please contact McNeilus at 1-888-686-7278 to allow us to assist you.

If you have leased this vehicle to another person, federal regulations require you to send a copy of this notice to your lessee by first-class mail within ten days of your receipt of this notice.

If you have had your vehicle repaired for this issue prior to receipt of this notice, you may be entitled to reimbursement if you incurred any out of pocket cost due to this matter. For further information, please contact us at the number listed above.

We regret any inconvenience that this action may cause you. However, we are concerned about your safety.

If your dealer fails or is unable to remedy this defect without charge and within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to:

The Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE.,
Washington, DC 20590;
or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153);
or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We apologize for any inconvenience this safety recall may cause, but your safety is our first concern.

Sincerely,

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