



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

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Washington, DC 20590

May 20, 2016

Mr. JP Pierson
Vice President
Pitts Enterprises, Inc
PO Box 127
Pittsview, AL 36871

NEF-150MR
16V-239

Subject: Suspension Welds May Crack

Dear Mr. Pierson:

This letter serves to acknowledge Pitts Enterprises, 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:

PITTS TRAILERS/LP/2014-2016
PITTS TRAILERS/LT/2014-2016
PITTS TRAILERS/PT/2014-2016

Mfr's Report Date: April 22, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V-239

Components:

SUSPENSION:REAR:AXLE:NON-POWERED AXLE ASSEMBLY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 637

Problem Description:

Pitts Enterprises, Inc. (Pitts) is recalling certain model year 2014-2016 LT, LP and PT logging trailers manufactured January 1, 2014, to May 31, 2015. The affected trailers have a single point trunnion mount suspension which may develop cracks in the welds between the suspension and the frame.

Consequence:

If the welds crack, the suspension can shift or detach, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Pitts will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the suspension for cracks and repair the welds, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in May 2016. Owners may contact Pitts customer service at 1-800-321-8073.

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

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).

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 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