



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

June 30, 2016

Ms. Shari Solomon
General Counsel
John Evans Mfg.
225 Lincoln Highway
Fairless Hills, PA 19030

NEF-150MR
16V-470

Subject: Improperly Seated Brake Chamber Diaphragm

Dear Ms. Solomon:

This letter serves to acknowledge John Evans Mfg.'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:

JOHN EVANS/CHEETAH TANDEM FLATBED/2016

Mfr's Report Date: June 23, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V-470

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES, AIR

Potential Number of Units Affected: 2

Problem Description:

John Evans Mfg. (John Evans) is recalling certain 2016 Cheetah tandem axle flatbed trailers manufactured July 29, 2015, to August 6, 2015, equipped with certain Haldex Life Seal Type 30/30 Long Stroke Air Brake Actuators. The affected vehicles may experience brake drag due to an improperly seated diaphragm in the brake chamber.

Consequence:

Brake drag may result in a wheel end fire.

Remedy:

John Evans will notify owners, and service centers will replace the actuators, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin July 7, 2016. Owners may contact John Evans customer service at 1-803-436-3100.

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 John Evans' 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