



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

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Washington, DC 20590

August 8, 2016

Mr. Michael Lanciotti  
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NEF-150MR  
16V-513

**Subject:** Valve Stem Extensions may Loosen and Leak Air

Dear Mr. Lanciotti:

This letter serves to acknowledge Kibbi, LLC'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:**

RENEGADE/VIENNA/2015-2016  
RENEGADE/VILLAGIO/2014-2016

**Mfr's Report Date:** July 5, 2016

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 16V-513

**Components:**

TIRES:VALVE

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 0

**Problem Description:**

Kibbi, LLC (Kibbi) is recalling certain model year 2015-2016 Renegade Vienna vehicles manufactured February 9, 2015, to June 1, 2016, and 2014-2016 Renegade Villagio vehicles manufactured March 4, 2013, to June 6, 2016. While checking or filing the rear inner tires, the valve stem extensions may inadvertently be loosened, resulting in a slow air leak.

**Consequence:**

If the valve stem extensions loosen and allow air to leak, the tires may be underinflated, increasing the risk of tire failure and a crash.

**Remedy:**

Kibbi will notify owners, and dealers will replace the valve stem extensions, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in August 2016. Owners may contact Kibbi customer service at 1-574-966-0196. Kibbi's number for this recall is Sprinter 6302016.

**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](http://www.safercar.gov).

Please update your filing to provide the number of potentially affected vehicles when it has been determined.

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.

We have received Kibbi's proposed owner notification letter and have provided edits that need to be incorporated.


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).

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](mailto:michelle.rice@dot.gov) or through the office email at [rmd.odi@dot.gov](mailto:rmd.odi@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



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Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigations  
Enforcement