



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

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Mr. Don Chomic
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NEF-150KS
16V-546

Subject: Missing Side Marker Lamps/FMVSS 108

Dear Mr. Chomic:

This letter serves to acknowledge Pierce Manufacturing'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:

PIERCE/PUMPER/2015-2016
PIERCE/TANKER/2015-2016

Mfr's Report Date: July 20, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V-546

Components:

EXTERIOR LIGHTING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 8

Problem Description:

Pierce Manufacturing (Pierce) is recalling certain model year 2015-2016 Pumper and Tanker trucks built on Freightliner chassis manufactured September 27, 2014, to June 14, 2016. The affected vehicles were modified to be equipped with extended bumpers, requiring the vehicles to have additional side marker lights due to the new vehicle length. Since the vehicles do not have the necessary amount of side marker lights, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Assoc. Equipment."

Consequence:

If the vehicle is missing side marker lights, it may have reduced visibility to other drivers, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Pierce notified owners, and dealers will install the required side marker lamps, free of charge. The recall began on August 15, 2016. Owners may contact Pierce customer service at 1-888-974-3723. Pierce's number for this recall is 74B275.

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.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall 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 Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being more prominent.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement