



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Edward Williams
Kalmar Solutions, LLC
415 E Dundee Street
Ottawa, KS 66067

NEF-150MR
16V-951

Subject: Corrosion of Power Distribution Center

Dear Mr. Williams:

This letter serves to acknowledge Kalmar Solutions, 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:
KALMAR/OTTAWA/2014-2016

Mfr's Report Date: December 27, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V-951

Components:
ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,639

Problem Description:

Kalmar Solutions, LLC (Kalmar) is recalling certain model year 2014-2016 Ottawa T2 vehicles manufactured August 16, 2014, to November 17, 2016. The affected vehicles are equipped with a chassis power board that is not protected from moisture.

Consequence:

Exposure to moisture may result in an electrical short which can increase the risk of a fire.

Remedy:

Kalmar will notify owners, and dealers will replace the chassis power distribution center with sealed modules, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact Kalmar customer service at 1-785-229-6341. Note: The remedy for this recall will also remedy the safety issue addressed by recall 16V-073, therefore that recall will be superseded by this one. Any vehicle that was remedied under that campaign still needs this recall remedy.

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:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, 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.

The information in your report suggests that Kalmar may have been aware of this issue more than five business days before filing a report with NHTSA. Please be reminded that under Federal law, this agency is to be notified of all safety defect and/or noncompliance decisions within five business days. 49 CFR 573.6 Please explain the gap of time between the review of the chassis power distribution center review in November and the recall filing in late-December.

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