

Part 573 Safety Recall Report**16V-294****Manufacturer Name :** Kovatch Mobile Equipment Corp.**Submission Date :** MAY 06, 2016**NHTSA Recall No. :** 16V-294**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Kovatch Mobile Equipment Corp.

Address : One Industrial Complex

Nesquehoning PA 18240

Company phone : 8002353926

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 108

Estimated percentage with defect : 5

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle : 2015-2016 KME All

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : ALL

Power Train : DIESEL

Descriptive Information : Hale Intake Strainer Soldering Inspection and Recall

Production Dates : MAY 01, 2015 - MAR 31, 2016

VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : Certain 6" intake strainers (Hale part 010-0030-00-0) that protect the pump from debris in the waterway may have components that make up the strainer that were improperly soldered during the manufacturing process.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : This condition could allow the strainer to come apart during use and may allow pieces of the strainer to be drawn into the intake of the pump. This condition could lead to degradation in pump performance which could reduce firefighting effectiveness, potentially leading to personal injury.

Description of the Cause : Bad soldering, the strainer joints may not have full perimetral solder.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : Chatter at pipe intake, clanging/banging. Upon inspection, there may be loose/damaged strainer components and solder may be broken off.

Supplier Identification :**Component Manufacturer**

Name : Hale Products

Address : 607 NW 27th Ave

Ocala FLORIDA 34475

Country : United States

Chronology :

Alerted of issue from Hale Products 05/03/2016

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : As part of your normal daily checks, KME is requesting that you pull caps and any suction adapters off of the intake and check the strainer for faulty soldering. To check the strainer, simply remove it from the suction with a pair of needle nose pliers and inspect the back side. If your strainer is missing solder at the joint shown below, it is considered defective and a potential risk to safe operation. Since strainer inspection should be part of the normal checks on your apparatus, we are not providing warranty coverage for labor.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Remedy component has solder on full perimeter of joint for strainer. Solder quality will be more consistent.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : May 6, 2016 KME removed and checked all related strainers in production and recalled any in-house strainers directly with Hale.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : First, KME will identify related trucks that must be recalled. Second, we shall begin sending dealer notification letters on or before May 31.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAY 31, 2016 - JUN 10, 2016

Planned Owner Notification Date : MAY 31, 2016 - JUN 10, 2016

* NR - Not Reported