

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 16V-626

**Manufacturer Name :** Kovatch Mobile Equipment Corp.**Submission Date :** AUG 24, 2016**NHTSA Recall No. :** 16V-626**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 : 56

Estimated percentage with defect : NR

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle 1 : 2015-2016 KME Predator SS Pumper

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM &amp; HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : DIESEL

Descriptive Information : KME's drive shaft manufacturer Machine Service Inc. identified material/tubing that did not meet specification and supplied replacement drive shafts that met or exceeded specification.

Production Dates : JAN 17, 2015 - JUL 21, 2015

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2014-2016 KME FDNY Pumper

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM &amp; HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : DIESEL

Descriptive Information : KME's drive shaft manufacturer Machine Service Inc. identified material/tubing that did not meet specification and supplied replacement drive shafts that met or exceeded specification.

Production Dates : MAY 21, 2014 - JUL 27, 2015

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : The walls of the drive shaft tubes did not meet the thickness specification.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : Excessive torque caused by spinning the tires could twist the drive shafts.

Description of the Cause : The drive shaft manufacturer received product that did not meet specification.

Identification of Any Warning NR  
that can Occur :

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : Machine Service Inc  
Address : 1000 Ashawaubanon St  
Green Bay WISCONSIN 53404  
Country : United States

## Chronology :

One customer reported 2 twisted drive shafts. The failed drive shafts on the second failure were sent to the manufacturer (Machine Service Inc.) for testing. MSI identified the material of the tubing to be thinner than specified.

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program :	The manufacturer provided identification sheets based on purchase orders and serial numbers within the purchase orders. Replacement drive shafts that met or exceeded specification were sent to KME and trucks identified with affected serial number drive shafts were replaced at no cost to the customers. KME was reimbursed for all labor costs by Machine Service Inc.
How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component :	The difference between the recalled component and the replacement is the thickness of the tubing wall. The replacements either met or exceeded the specified material.
Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production :	After the issue was identified the manufacturer sent replacement components for units in production and nothing was shipped until the drive shafts were replaced.

## Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : NR  
Planned Dealer Notification Date : NR - NR  
Planned Owner Notification Date : NR - NR

\* NR - Not Reported