

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 16V-757

**Manufacturer Name :** Johnston North America**Submission Date :** OCT 17, 2016**NHTSA Recall No. :** 16V-757**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Johnston North America

Address : 105 Motorsports Road

Mooresville NC 28115

Company phone : 704-658-1333

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 238

Estimated percentage with defect : NR

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle 1 : 2013-2016 Johnston VT651

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM &amp; HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : DIESEL

Descriptive Information : Johnston VT651 street sweepers. Recall population was determined because affected VT651s represented a design change from the previous VT650 platform.

Production Dates : MAY 01, 2013 - OCT 13, 2016

VIN Range 1 : Begin : NR End : NR  Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2013-2016 Johnston VT801

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM &amp; HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : DIESEL

Descriptive Information : Johnston VT801 street sweepers. Recall population was determined because affected VT801s represented a design change from the previous VT800 platform.

Production Dates : MAY 01, 2013 - OCT 13, 2016

VIN Range 1 : Begin : NR End : NR  Not sequential**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : Cracks may form around the tipping hinges. If left unchecked, cracks around the tipping hinges can result in the hopper detaching from the chassis, particularly if the sweeper is overloaded.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : If cracks form around tipping hinges, hopper can detach from chassis, which could cause serious injury or death to operator or bystanders.

Description of the Cause : NR  
Identification of Any Warning NR  
that can Occur :

## Supplier Identification :

### Component Manufacturer

Name : NR  
Address : NR  
NR  
Country : NR

## Chronology :

On September 27, 2016, the body of a sweeper in the United Kingdom became detached from the chassis. Johnston inspected the vehicle the same day. On October 13, it was determined that similar vehicles in the United States should be recalled.

## Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : Johnston will inspect all VT651 and VT801 sweepers for damage or cracking behind and around the tipping brackets. Johnston will install a reaction beam to increase the torsional stiffness of the body and stabilize the tipping pivot brackets. The reaction beam ensures that forces are equalized between the two tipping brackets to prevent overloading of one bracket when operated in extreme circumstances.

At a later date, Johnston will further modify all VT651 and VT801 sweepers to further increase their long-term durability. Johnston will provide an update when the second stage of modification is determined.

Johnston will also provide an update when its reimbursement plan is finalized.

How Remedy Component Differs NR  
from Recalled Component :

Identify How/When Recall Condition NR  
was Corrected in Production :

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : Notices are being developed. Once the customer and dealer/distributor notices are completed and approved, we will begin sending out notifications immediately.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NR - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date : NR - NR

\* NR - Not Reported