

TO: «DEALER»
FROM: Don Chomic – Director, Product Safety
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DATE: August 2016
SUBJECT: Recall Notice: **NHTSA 16V-546/ Pierce 74B275 – Side Marker Lights**

VEHICLE SAFETY RECALL DEALER NOTIFICATION – IMPORTANT

Pierce has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicles exists in certain fire apparatus models built on Freightliner chassis, manufactured between 2014 and 2016 that may contain a defect that impacts vehicle safety.

Pierce has determined certain pumper and tanker apparatus produced in Florida, utilizing Freightliner chassis with extended bumpers may have been produced without a side marker lamp as required for vehicles 30 feet or longer.

The lack of side marker lamp may reduce vehicle visibility to other drivers, which may result in a crash. This is in nonconformance to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards for Vehicle Lighting.

Vehicles were produced as unsold stock units with standard bumpers resulting in vehicle length under 30 feet and therefore no side marker lamps required. Post build, vehicles were sold and customer requested modifications to be made to the stock built unit to replace bumpers with extended bumpers and other equipment, resulting in a new vehicle length 30 feet or longer, which require side marker lights. The process was not followed to check and install required compliant lighting due to the change in vehicle length.

VEHICLES INVOLVED

The vehicles involved are certain fire apparatus models built on Freightliner chassis, manufactured between 2014 and 2016, produced at our Florida facility, totally eight vehicles.

Involved vehicles have been identified by Pierce job numbers and are listed on Pierceparts.com. Owner name and address data will enable dealers to follow up with owners involved in this campaign after Pierce has issued the customer notifications. Pierce has identified these vehicles based on build orders.

DEALER RESPONSIBILITY

It is the Pierce dealer's responsibility to support the customers on the defined list and to encourage the apparatus owner to install the required side marker lights. Please make sure the customer is aware the remedy will be provided by Pierce without charge.

It is a violation of Federal law for a dealer to deliver a new vehicle covered by this recall notice under a sale or lease until the defect has been remedied.

Thank you for your support and understanding. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact myself at 920-832-3342, or Kevin Hanegraaf at 920-832-3235.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don Chomic".

Don Chomic

Director, Product Safety