



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Peter Weis
Polar Tank Trailer, LLC.
12810 County Road 17
Holdingford, MN 56340

NEF-150MR
17V-604

Subject: Caliper Bolts Do Not Meet Torque Specifications

Dear Mr. Weis:

This letter serves to acknowledge Polar Tank Trailer, 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:

POLAR TANK/SRJ7 TRAILER/2018

Mfr's Report Date: September 27, 2017

NHTSA Campaign Number: 17V-604

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES, AIR:DISC:CALIPER

Potential Number of Units Affected: 9

Problem Description:

Polar Tank Trailer, LLC. (Polar) is recalling certain 2018 SRJ7 trailers manufactured with Meritor MTA/MTP trailer suspensions. The brake caliper bolts on these axles may not be properly torqued which can allow the caliper to detach from the mounting flange.

Consequence:

If the caliper bolts are improperly torqued and the caliper detaches from the mounting flange, a loss of braking ability would occur, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Polar has notified the vehicle owners, instructing them to check the caliper bolts per the supplied bulletin, receiving reimbursement from Meritor. The recall began on October 4, 2017. Owners may contact Polar customer service at 1-320-746-2255 or Meritor at 1-866-668-7221. Polar's number for this recall is C17AB.

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:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall 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.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement