



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

January 2, 2018

Ms. Kathryn Penny
East Manufacturing Corp.
1871 State Route 44
Randolph, OH 44265

NEF-150MR
17V-800

Subject: Cross Member may Crack

Dear Ms. Penny:

This letter serves to acknowledge East Manufacturing Corp.'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:

EAST/FRAME DUMP/2016-2018

Mfr's Report Date: December 13, 2017

NHTSA Campaign Number: 17V-800

Components:

SUSPENSION:REAR:AXLE:NON-POWERED AXLE ASSEMBLY

Potential Number of Units Affected: 88

Problem Description:

East Manufacturing Corp. (East) is recalling certain 2016-2018 Frame Dump trailers built with a pintle hook or brackets for the future installation of a pintle hook. Cracks may develop in the cross member that the pintle hook is connected to, possibly resulting in the cross member failing.

Consequence:

If the cross member fails, vehicle handling would be affected, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

East will notify owners, and dealers will weld any cracks and install reinforcing plates to the cross member, or replace the cross member, as necessary. These repairs will be performed free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in January 2018. Owners may contact East customer service at 1-330-325-9921.

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, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), 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 large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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