



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Robert Ray
TAP Worldwide, LLC
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Compton, CA 90220

NEF-150MR
18E-065

Subject: Lug Nuts May Bottom Out and Loosen

Dear Mr. Ray:

This letter serves to acknowledge TAP Worldwide, 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:

PRO COMP/EXTENDED THREAD LUG NUTS/9999

Mfr's Report Date: July 30, 2018

NHTSA Campaign Number: 18E-065

Components:

WHEELS:LUGS/NUTS/BOLTS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 2,720

Problem Description:

TAP Worldwide LLC (TAP) is recalling certain Pro Comp Extended Thread Lug Nuts, part numbers 21138, 21138B, and 26148 marketed as an accessory to be used with Pro Comp accessory or aftermarket wheels. These lug nuts may not seat properly and may bottom out when used with certain third-part wheel models.

Consequence:

If the lug nuts bottom out before they are properly tightened, they may come loose, affecting wheel mounting and causing a loss of vehicle control, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

TAP will notify owners and will provide replacement lug nuts with shorter shanks, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin September 28, 2018. Owners may contact TAP customer service at 1-888-376-1417.

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:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, 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,



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