

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

February 6, 2019

Mr. Robert Ray TAP Worldwide, LLC 400 West Artesia Compton, CA 90220 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-150MR 18E-116

Subject: Tire Carrier Delete Plate/FMVSS 108, 111

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:

POISON SPYDER CUSTOMS/TIRE CARRIER DELETE PLATE/9999

Mfr's Report Date: December 14, 2018

NHTSA Campaign Number: 18E-116

Components: EQUIPMENT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 96

Problem Description:

TAP Worldwide, LLC (TAP) is recalling certain Poison Spyder Customs Tire Carrier Delete Plates, part number 19-04-012P1, sold as aftermarket parts. These Tire Carrier Delete Plates may not provide a license plate illumination lamp, may interfere with the center high-mounted brake light positioning, and may also cause the rear visibility system to be inoperable. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment," and number 111, "Rearview Mirrors."

Consequence:

If the high-mounted brake light is inoperable, it can limit the warning given to others that the vehicle is slowing or stopping. If the rear camera is inoperable, the driver may have reduced visibility of what is behind the vehicle. Either condition can increase the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

TAP will notify owners, and dealers will replace the Poison Spyder Tire Carrier Delete Plates, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin February 12, 2019. 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.



Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

We have received TAP's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

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).

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. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Kareem Habib

Acting Chief, Recall Management Division

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