

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

October 29, 2018

Ms. Michele Kurniawan Director of Operations; Achilles Tires USA Inc. PT. Multistrada Arah Sarana, Tbk 15791 Rockfield Boulevard #B Irvine, CA 92618

**Subject:** Lower Sidewall Separation/FMVSS 139

Dear Ms. Kurniawan:

This letter serves to acknowledge PT. Multistrada Arah Sarana, Tbk'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.

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-150SS

18T-013

### Makes/Models/Model Years:

ACHILLES/DESERT HAWK A/P/LT215/85R16 115/112R 10PR

Mfr's Report Date: October 12, 2018

NHTSA Campaign Number: 18T-013

**Components:** 

**TIRES** 

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 6,318

### **Problem Description:**

Pt.Multistrada Arah Sarana, TBK (Multistrada) is recalling certain Achilles Desert Hawk A/P LT tires, size LT215/85 R16 115/112R 10PR, with DOT date code 1915 through date code 3618. The lower sidewall of the tires may separate. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 139, "New Pneumatic Radial Tires for Light Vehicles."

## **Consequence:**

A sidewall separation can cause loss of air pressure, increasing the risk of a crash.

### Remedy:

Multistrada will notify owners, and dealers will replace the tires, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin December 9, 2018. Owners may contact Multistrada customer service at achillescare@multistrada.co.id or at corsec@multistrada.co.id, or by phone at 1-800-944-8414.

# 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.

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).

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 Sarah Shiver who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-7401, or by email at sarah.shiver@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Timian

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

Enforcement

