

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

18E-065

Manufacturer Name : TAP Worldwide, LLC

Submission Date : JUL 30, 2018

NHTSA Recall No. : 18E-065

Manufacturer Recall No. : NR



Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : TAP Worldwide, LLC

Address : 400 W Artesia Blvd
COMPTON CA 90220

Company phone : 999

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 2,720

Estimated percentage with defect : 10 %

Equipment Information :

Brand / Trade 1 : Pro Comp

Model : Extended Thread Lug Nuts

Part No. : 21138; 21138B; 26148

Size : NR

Function : NR

Descriptive Information : The subject lug nuts are an accessory item to be used with Pro Comp accessory / aftermarket wheels manufactured by TAP Worldwide, LLC. All of the lug nuts included in the recall population were manufactured by the manufacturer/ supplier listed herein. Lug nuts manufactured by other manufacturers/suppliers were not included in the recall.

Production Dates : DEC 17, 2015 - AUG 31, 2016

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : TAP Worldwide, LLC determined that, due to their length, the subject lug nuts may not seat properly when used with certain non- Pro Comp aftermarket wheel brands and models. Specifically, because these lugs nuts are "extended thread" lug nuts, they have the potential to bottom out by about 1mm-2mm when used with a few, specific third-party wheel models.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : If the subject lug nuts were used in connection with certain, specific wheel models which featured thinner than usual wheel webbing, there exists a potential than the lug nuts could "bottom out," which, in turn, could weaken the mounting of the wheel and possibly affect vehicle control.

Description of the Cause : TAP Worldwide, LLC believes that the packaging of the subject lug nuts should

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : have conspicuously identified the compatible (or, conversely, incompatible) wheel models.
Chassis and steering wheel vibration can occur.

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : The Wheel Group Holdings, LLC
Address : 1050 N. Vineyard Ave.
Ontario CALIFORNIA 91764
Country : United States

Chronology :

In or about spring 2018, TAP Worldwide, LLC ("TAP") commenced aligning its processes with that of its still rather new corporate parent, Polaris Industries, Inc. ("Polaris"). Given Polaris' product safety process improvements in the last two years, TAP product issues have been run through a new safety process.

In or about May 2018, this process identified previously conducted TAP service campaigns, including one involving the aftermarket equipment set forth in this regulatory filing.

Upon review and further consideration, on or about early June 2018, TAP proactively contacted the NHTSA Office of Defects Investigation ("ODI") to discuss the matter.

TAP met with ODI on June 19, 2018.

On July 23, 2018, ODI requested that TAP file a Defect Information Report for this matter and conduct a recall.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : TAP Worldwide, LLC has made available replacement lug nuts with shorter shanks which will address the risk of the lug nuts "bottoming out" on the wheel models at issue. TAP Worldwide, LLC will install replacement lug nuts at no cost on all affected vehicles.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : The replacement lug nuts feature shorter shanks which eliminate the risk of them bottoming out on the wheel models at issue.

Recalled Component: Pro Comp Extended Thread Lug Nuts; Part Nos. 21138, 21138B, 26148, 26148B, and 26148OET.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Interface testing was performed after identification of aftermarket wheel to lug nut part interference, suggesting a potential recall condition. Upon identification of those facts suggesting a potential recall condition, TAP Worldwide, LLC quarantined all inventory of the subject part number(s) and replaced it with the remedy component.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Owners and retailers will be notified on or before September 28, 2018. To supplement and provide additional awareness of the subject recall, TAP will perform enhanced outreach to affected customers and retailers by direct phone and email communications as appropriate.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : SEP 28, 2018 - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date : SEP 28, 2018 - NR

Purchaser Information :

The following manufacturers purchased this defective/noncompliant equipment for possible use or installation in new motor vehicles or new items of motor vehicle equipment:

Name : NR

Address : NR
NR

Country : NR

Company Phone : NR

* NR - Not Reported