Part 573 Safety Recall Report 18T-006

Manufacturer Name : Continental Tire the Americas, LLC.
Submission Date : JUN 06, 2018
NHTSA Recall No. : 18T-006
Manufacturer Recall No. : NR

Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Continental Tire the Americas, LLC.
Address : 1830 Macmillan Park Drive
Fort Mill SC 29707
Company phone : 704-583-4882

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 655
Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Tire Information :

Tire Brand 1 : CONTINENTAL TIRE
Tire Line : Conti Hybrid HS3
Tire Size : 11R22.5 Load Range G
Descriptive Information : Commercial truck steer tires manufactured in Continental Tire the Americas, LLC's ("CTA") Mt. Vernon, IL plant. CTA determined that production variances occurred on one tire building machine starting on March 7, 2018 through March 22, 2018. Countermeasures were introduced as of March 23, 2018.
Production Dates : MAR 04, 2018 - MAR 24, 2018

TIN (Tire Identification Number)

Plant ID	Size code	Optional Code	Begin M Code	End M Code
A3	3T	KWUX	0918	1118

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : Visible cords through the innerliner.

FMVSS 1 : NR
FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : Affected tires may experience a sudden air loss, which could result in a loss of control potentially leading to a risk of serious injury or death.

Description of the Cause : Due to production variation on one tire building machine, the affected tires did not meet CTA's tire specifications.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : Affected tires may exhibit a bulge or blister in the sidewall.

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name :	NR
Address :	NR
	NR
Country :	NR

Chronology :

On March 12, 2018, CTA detected visible cords through the innerliner in an 11R22.5 Conti Hybrid HS3, Load Range G tire. On this date, CTA immediately stopped production of this tire and issued a quality hold.
March 14 - March 22, 2018, CTA began trial production runs to identify the root cause of the innerliner condition. CTA determined production variances were occurring on one tire building machine. That specific tire building machine began producing the affected tires on March 7, 2018.
March 23, 2018, CTA introduced countermeasures to address the production variances.
On April 28, 2018, CTA first learned that 655 tires from DOT weeks 0918 - 1118 were inadvertently sold into the market. CTA immediately began efforts to identify customers who received the affected tires.
On May 9, 2018, CTA management decided to initiate this safety recall for affected tires remaining in the market. No accidents have been reported. Also, CTA has received no warranty or property damage claims related to this condition.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program :	CTA will conduct a safety recall campaign to replace the subject tires that have been sold into the market. All known customers will be notified and given instructions on how to identify the subject tires and instructions on how to return of affected tires. Reimbursement will cover the full replacement cost, including FET, delivery comission and labor to mount/ dismount and balancing.
How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component :	CTA was able to determine that affected tires were built on a specific building machine starting on March 7, 2018 through March 22, 2018. Remedy tires are from outside of this production timeframe.
Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production :	CTA introduced countermeasures on March 23, 2018.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule :	CTA will notify all customers, distributors, fleets, as well as all independent outlets that are authorized to replace the tires that are the subject of this recall, of their responsibilities in accordance with Section

	573.6(c)(9). Distributors and outlets will be instructed to return affected tires to CTA for disposal.
Planned Dealer Notification Date :	JUN 18, 2018 - JUL 06, 2018
Planned Owner Notification Date :	JUN 18, 2018 - JUL 06, 2018

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 :	Daimler Trucks North America
Address :	4555 N. Channel Avenue Portland OR 97217
Country :	US
Company Phone :	NR

* NR - Not Reported