



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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Ms. Sheryl Kraeger
Custom Fab & Body LLC
158 US Hwy 45
Marion, WI 54950

NEF-150MR
19V-239

Subject: Brake Light may Randomly Illuminate/FMVSS 108

Dear Ms. Kraeger:

This letter serves to acknowledge Custom Fab & Body 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:

FORD/F-650 SD/2018
FREIGHTLINER/M2/2018
INTERNATIONAL/DURASTAR/2018
INTERNATIONAL/WORKSTAR/2017-2018
KENWORTH/T370/2018

Mfr's Report Date: March 26, 2019

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V-239

Components:

EXTERIOR LIGHTING: BRAKE LIGHTS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 7

Problem Description:

Custom Fab & Body LLC (Custom Fab & Body) is recalling certain 2018 Ford F-650 XLT Crew Cab, 2017-2018 International 7500 4x4, and 2018 International 7500 4x2, Freightliner M2-112 and M2-106, and Kenworth T-370-based emergency vehicles equipped with Whelen brake lights. Depending on the specific wiring of the vehicle, these brake lights may illuminate when the brake pedal has not been pressed. 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."

Consequence:

If the brake lights incorrectly illuminate, it can confuse other drivers, possibly increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Custom Fab & Body has notified owners, instructing them to contact Whelen for replacement lights, free of charge. The recall began April 11, 2019. Owners may contact Whelen customer service at 1-860-526-9504.

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.

NHTSA is missing critical, required information for this safety recall. This information must be supplied through the NHTSA Recalls Portal within 5 working days of confirming its accuracy:

- A description of the manufacturer's program for remedying the defect or noncompliance (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(8)(i)). Please amend your 573 filing to include this information.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall 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
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement