



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Stephen Forgas
McNeilus Truck & Manufacturing, Inc.
2307 Oregon Street
Oshkosh, WI 54902

NEF-150MR
19V-656

Subject: Pressure Relief Device may not Vent Pressure

Dear Mr. Forgas:

This letter serves to acknowledge McNeilus Truck & Manufacturing, Inc.'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:

MCNEILUS/ATLANTIC FRONT LOADER/2013-2018
MCNEILUS/AUTOREACH/2013-2018
MCNEILUS/BRIDGEMASTER V MIXER/2013-2018
MCNEILUS/CONTENDER FRONT LOADER/2013-2018
MCNEILUS/MA SIDE LOADER/2013-2018
MCNEILUS/MERIDIAN FRONT LOADER/2013-2014
MCNEILUS/MERIDIAN FRONT LOADER 78/2015-2018
MCNEILUS/REAR LOADER/2013-2018
MCNEILUS/STANDARD MIXER/2013-2018
MCNEILUS/ZERO RADIUS/2013-2018

Mfr's Report Date: September 17, 2019

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V-656

Components:

FUEL SYSTEM, OTHER:STORAGE:TANK ASSEMBLY:PRESSURE RELIEF DEVICES

Potential Number of Units Affected: 331

Problem Description:

McNeilus Truck & Manufacturing, Inc. (McNeilus) is recalling certain 2013-2018 Bridgemaster Mixer, Standard Mixer, Model 49 Autoreach Side Loader, Model 48 Zero Radius Side Loader, Model 78 Meridian Front Loader, Model 29 Atlantic Front Loader, Model 87 Contender Front Loader, Model 42 Manual Automated Side Loader, Model 16 3.5 yard TG Rear Loader, Model 11 Heavy Duty Rear Loader, Model 66 40.60 Split Body Rear Loader, Model 10 Standard Rear Loader, Model 12 Tailgate Tag Axle Rear Loader, and Model 13 High Compaction Rear Loader vehicles. The vehicles are powered with compressed natural gas (CNG) and are equipped with pressure relief devices (PRD) that may not function as designed, failing to vent a buildup of pressure, such as could occur if the CNG tank was exposed to fire.

Consequence:

If the PRD does not activate in the event of a buildup of pressure, the CNG tank may explode, increasing the risk of fire and injury.

Remedy:

McNeilus will notify owners, and dealers will inspect and replace the PRD's, as necessary, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin October 31, 2019. Owners may contact McNeilus customer service at 1-888-686-7278.

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.

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).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

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,



Joshua Neff
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement