

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

September 29, 2020

Mr. Scott Goeb Product Safety Manager Oshkosh Corporation 2600 American Dr Appleton, WI 54912 NEF-150MR 20E-070

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Pressure Switch Threads May Become Stripped

Dear Mr. Goeb:

This letter serves to acknowledge Oshkosh Corporation'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:

BENDIX/PRESSURE SWITCH/9999

Mfr's Report Date: September 11, 2020

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20E-070

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES

Potential Number of Units Affected: 121

Problem Description:

Oshkosh Corporation (Oshkosh) is recalling certain Bendix Pressure Switches, part number 4133101, sold as aftermarket parts. The plastic threads holding the two halves of the pressure switch may strip when the switch is pressurized, resulting in an air leak which, if severe enough, can cause the air system to lose pressure when the brakes are applied. Failure of the front and rear brake switches will also result in a loss of brake light functionality.

Consequence:

As a result of a pressure switch air leak, the braking distance may be diminished and/or the parking brake may automatically engage. If the vehicle is equipped with an affected brake switch on both the front and the rear brakes and both parts fail, the brake lights may not operate. These conditions may increase the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Oshkosh will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the brake pressure valve, and if necessary, replace it, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in September 2020. Owners may contact Oshkosh 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.



We have received Oshkosh's proposed owner notification letter and have approved it for distribution.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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

