



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Terry Edwards  
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NEF-150CL  
20T-015

**Subject:** Lower Sidewall Separation/FMVSS 139

Dear Mr. Edwards:

This letter serves to acknowledge Linglong Americas 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:**

VENEZIA CRUSADE/HT/LT265/75R16

**Mfr's Report Date:** August 10, 2020

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 20T-015

**Components:**

TIRES:SIDEWALL

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 2,830

**Problem Description:**

Linglong Americas Inc. (LLA) is recalling certain Venezia Crusade HT tires, size LT265/75R16 Load Range E, with DOT date codes 2715 through 5215. The tires may experience lower sidewall separation. As such, these tires fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 139, "New Pneumatic Radial Tires for Light Vehicles."

**Consequence:**

Sidewall separation can lead to sudden tire failure, increasing the risk of a crash.

**Remedy:**

LLA will notify owners, and dealers will replace the tires, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin August 24, 2020. Owners may contact LLA customer service at 1-330-239-0404. LLA's number for this recall is YCLF.

**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](http://www.safercar.gov).

Please ensure the following requirements are met:

Your company's program shall include a plan for reimbursing an owner or purchaser who incurred costs to obtain a remedy for the problem addressed by the recall within a reasonable time in advance of your company's notification of owners, purchasers and dealers, in accordance with § 573.13. Your company's plan may incorporate by reference a general reimbursement plan it previously submitted to NHTSA, together with information specific to the individual recall. Information required by § 573.13 that is not in a general reimbursement plan shall be submitted in your company's report to NHTSA. If your company submits one or more general reimbursement plans, your company shall update each plan every two years (§ 573.13). If the vehicles are new and would be covered under the manufacturer's warranty program, please state that in the remedy section of your filing.

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

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).

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 Choon Lee who may be reached by phone at 202 366 0388, or by email at [choon.lee@dot.gov](mailto:choon.lee@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Joshua Neff  
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Office of Defects Investigations  
Enforcement