

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

August 28, 2020

Ms. Carrie Zhong Shaanxi Yanchang Petroleum Group Rubber 1 East Tongyi Road Fenghe Area, Qindu District Xianyang, Shaanxi 712000

Subject: Thread or Inner Liner Separation/FMVSS 139

Dear Ms. Zhong:

This letter serves to acknowledge Shaanxi Yanchang Petroleum Group Rubber'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:

DURATURN/TRAVIA A/T/LT225/75R16 DURATURN/TRAVIA A/T/LT235/75R15 DURATURN/TRAVIA A/T/LT235/80R17 DURATURN/TRAVIA A/T/LT235/85R16 DURATURN/TRAVIA A/T/LT245/75R16 DURATURN/TRAVIA A/T/LT245/75R17 DURATURN/TRAVIA A/T/LT265/70R17 DURATURN/TRAVIA A/T/LT265/75R16 DURATURN/TRAVIA A/T/LT285/70R17 DURATURN/TRAVIA A/T/LT285/75R16 DURATURN/TRAVIA A/T/LT285/75R16 DURATURN/TRAVIA A/T/LT31X10.50R15

Mfr's Report Date: August 20, 2020

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20T-016

Components:

TIRES:TREAD/BELT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 33,466

Problem Description:

Shaanxi Yanchang Petroleum Group Rubber (Shaanxi) is recalling all Duraturn Travia A/T tires, sizes LT225/75R16, LT235/75R15, LT235/85R16, LT245/75R16, LT245/75R17, LT265/70R17, LT265/75R16, LT285/70R17, LT285/75R16 and LT31X10.50R15 with DOT date codes 4015 through 0318. Due to manufacturing issues, the tread or innerliner may separate from the tire. 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:

Tread or innerliner separation could lead to a loss of vehicle control, increasing the risk of a crash.



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NEF-150CL 20T-016

Remedy:

Shaanxi will notify owners, and dealers will reimburse the customer for the affected tires. The recall is expected to begin September 14, 2020. Owners may contact Duraturn Customer Assistance Service Department at 1-626-513-8989.

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 note this recall was reported as a safety defect type, however, based on the information provided it was processed as a non-compliance recall.

Your Part 573 report states that you intend to prorate the reimbursement amount based on the amount of tire wear. Proration is not allowed.

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).

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.

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. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Joshua Neff

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

Enforcement

