

U.S. Department of Transportation

# National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

September 3, 2020

Mr. William Fenton Regional Quality Manager Equipment Technology, L.L.C. 341 NW 122nd Street Oklahoma City, OK 73114

**Subject:** Aerial Platforms may Collapse

Dear Mr. Fenton:

This letter serves to acknowledge Equipment Technology, L.L.C. '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:

ETI/ETC 37 IH/2020

Mfr's Report Date: August 24, 2020

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20V-500

**Components:** EQUIPMENT

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 60

### **Problem Description:**

Equipment Technology, L.L.C. (ETI) is recalling certain 2020 ETI ETC 37 IH vehicles. Due to improper welds and the thickness of the steel boom tubes, the aerial platform may unexpectedly fall.

## **Consequence:**

An aerial lift platform collapse can increase the risk of injury.

### Remedy

Equipment Technology will notify owners and will replace the boom tubes on all affected aerial lift trucks at ETI's facility, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in September 2020. Owners may contact ETI customer service at 1-405-748-3841.

### **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 ETI's proposed owner notification letter and have approved it for distribution.



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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.

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).

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

