



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

July 12, 2021

Mr. Larry Jacobs  
Mickey Truck Bodies, Inc.  
PO Box 2044  
High Point, NC 27261

NEF-107MR  
21V-484

**Subject:** License Plate Not Illuminated Properly

Dear Mr. Jacobs:

This letter serves to acknowledge Mickey Truck Bodies, 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:**

FREIGHTLINER/BUSINESS CLASS M2/2017  
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INTERNATIONAL/4000 SERIES 4300/2017  
PETERBILT/220/2018

**Mfr's Report Date:** June 24, 2021

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 21V-484

**Components:**

EXTERIOR LIGHTING

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 89

**Problem Description:**

Mickey Truck Bodies, Inc. (Mickey Truck) is recalling certain 2017 Freightliner M2, M2-106, International 4300, and 2018 Peterbilt 220 vehicles equipped with certain model lift gates that contain a license plate kit with part number 298872-01. The light kit does not properly illuminate the license plate, shining rearward, instead of downward as intended.

**Consequence:**

The improper lighting may confuse other drivers on the road, increasing the risk of a crash.

**Remedy:**

Dealers will provide a replacement license plate kit, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed in July 2021. Owners may contact Mickey Truck customer service at 1-336-888-2291.

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

**Please ensure the following requirements are met:**

As required in Part 573.6, please amend the chronology to provide a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information (such as the numbers of deaths and/or injuries), with their dates of receipt. If claim count exceeds 10 claims, please provide the total number of claims, and a receipt date range for those claims.

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

Your company must amend the estimated date(s) for which it will notify owners regarding this safety recall. Please be reminded that all owners must be notified of the safety risk associated with this filing within 60 days of the 573 being submitted. If the remedy is not available at that time, mail the interim notice, following it with a second notice once the remedy becomes available. If your company subsequently becomes aware that either the beginning or the completion dates reported to the agency for any of the notifications will be delayed by more than two weeks, your company shall promptly advise the agency of the delay and the reasons therefor, and furnish a revised estimate. If there are no owners involved in this recall, please state so in the 573 (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(8)(ii)).

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

We have received Mickey Truck'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.

Mickey Truck Bodies, Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by email at [michelle.rice@dot.gov](mailto:michelle.rice@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Alex Ansley  
Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement