



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

October 28, 2021

Ms. Allison Freeman  
Smeal Holding, LLC  
1541 Reynolds Road  
Charlotte, MI 48813

NEF-107MR  
21V-810

**Subject:** Improperly Crimped Lifting Cable

Dear Ms. Freeman:

This letter serves to acknowledge Smeal Holding, LLC'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:**

SMEAL/PUMPER/2021

**Mfr's Report Date:** October 15, 2021

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 21V-810

**Components:**

EQUIPMENT

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 1

**Problem Description:**

Smeal Holding, LLC (Smeal) is recalling one 2021 Pumper Fire Apparatus fire truck equipped with a Cummins generator set. The lifting cables may be improperly crimped.

**Consequence:**

An improperly crimped cable may come out of place during a lifting operation, possibly causing the generator set to fall, increasing the risk of injury.

**Remedy:**

Cummins will inspect the lifting cable, and either replace the cable or install a warning label, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed on November 12, 2021. Owners may contact Smeal's customer service at 1-800-867-6478. Smeal's number for this recall is 21015.

**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:**

The percentage of products estimated to contain the defect or noncompliance (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(4)). If less than 1%, amend your filing to state 1% and provide the actual calculated amount in the first product text box.

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

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).

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.

Smeal Holding, LLC's contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



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