



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Jim Adair
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Schwarze Industries, Inc.
1055 Jordan Road
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NEF-107MR
21V-816

Subject: Unintended Conveyor Movement/Crushing Hazard

Dear Mr. Adair:

This letter serves to acknowledge Schwarze Industries, 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:

SCHWARZE/M6 AVALANCHE CNG/2012-2020
SCHWARZE/M6 AVALANCHE STREET SWEEP/2012-2020

Mfr's Report Date: October 18, 2021

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V-816

Components:

EQUIPMENT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 547

Problem Description:

Schwarze Industries, Inc. (Schwarze) is recalling certain 2012-2020 Avalanche M6TE, M6SE, and M6SE CNG street sweepers. The outside switch box that controls the position of the conveyor may activate unintentionally while the vehicle is running.

Consequence:

Unintentional activation of the switch box can advance the conveyor, presenting a crushing hazard between the conveyor and hopper, and increasing the risk of injury or death.

Remedy:

Dealers will install a kit containing an outside switch guard and two crushing hazard warning decals, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed on December 1, 2021. Owners may contact Schwarze's customer service at 1-800-879-7934.

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.



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.

We have received Schwarze'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).

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.

Schwarze Industries, Inc.'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