

October 31, 2022

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL: 22V-788

Meritor Tie Rod Clamp

This notice applies to your vehicle VIN: X

UNIT: 1xxxxx

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

E-ONE has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain models of the following emergency vehicles manufactured April 27, 2022 to October 5, 2022, equipped with Meritor Tie Rod Clamp:

E-ONE – Cyclone 2, Cyclone N, Typhoon N

WHY IS A RECALL BEING CONDUCTED?

Based upon information provided by Meritor's supplier, due to a heat treat issue, Meritor has determined that a population of tie rod clamps used in the manufacture of the subject axle population may be susceptible to cracking. Over time, a crack may lead to a complete fracture of the clamp, thereby reducing clamp load to the tie rod end. If both clamps on the tie rod were to fail, the cross tube could start to unscrew, vehicle alignment issues would evolve, and there is a potential for the tie rod end to separate from the cross tube. Separation is more likely to occur when tie rod loads are highest, which is at slow vehicle speeds over rough terrain or turning maneuvers.

This defect could result in separation of the tie rod end from the cross tube could result in partial loss of vehicle steering capability, increasing the risk of a crash. The initial effect would be a vehicle out of alignment. If both clamps on the tie rod cracked, the tube could rotate and result in a partial loss of steering capability. Excessive carbon caused by a damaged control board on one of four furnaces at the supplier. The affected item is the Meritor Tie Rod Clamp.

WHAT ARE WE DOING ABOUT THE PROBLEM?

Meritor will work with affected vehicle manufacturers to replace suspect tie rod clamps on the subject axles. The affected emergency response cab chassis is still within their warranty period and would not be subject to reimbursement. The repair will take approximately 2 hours to complete.

Vehicles subject to this recall are to be inspected and repaired by an E-ONE certified dealer or technician or authorized Meritor Service Center. E-ONE will compensate the dealer or owner for



installing new Tie Rod Clamps, provided free of charge, if it has not already been replaced during normal maintenance. Installation of the Tie Rod Clamps will take approximately 1 hour.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO?

If you receive this notification, please contact your E-ONE Dealer or E-ONE at 1-352-237-1122 to schedule an appointment to have the repairs performed.

INCLUDED WITH THIS LETTER IS AN OWNER RESPONSE CARD THAT MUST BE FILLED OUT AND RETURNED TO E-ONE IN ORDER TO BE REIMBURSED. Please have your Truck VIN available. After your repair has been completed, please fill in the appropriate information on the enclosed Owner Response Postcard, sign it, and mail it to:

E-ONE, 1601 SW 37th Ave, Ocala, FL, 34474.

If you prefer to contact E-ONE directly, feel free to contact our Customer Service at 1-352-237-1122. Please have your Truck VIN available.

WHAT IF YOU NO LONGER OWN THIS E-ONE – Cyclone 2, Cyclone N, Typhoon N? If you no longer the current owner of the vehicle, please indicate this on the Owner Response Postcard and return the card to *E-ONE, 1601 SW 37th Ave, Ocala, FL, 34474.*

WHO SHOULD YOU CONTACT IF YOU HAVE FURTHER QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact E-ONE Customer Service at 1-352-237-1122. Please have your Truck VIN available.

If you are the lessor of this vehicle, please forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days to comply with federal regulations

If you have already paid to have your E-ONE – Cyclone 2, Cyclone N, Typhoon N repaired for this condition, you may be eligible for reimbursement of the charges you paid for the repair or replacement of components. To learn more about what you need to do to obtain reimbursement call E-ONE Customer Service at 1-352-237-1122 and instructions will be provided. Please have your Truck VIN available.

If after having attempted to take advantage of this recall you believe you have not been able to have your E-ONE – Cyclone 2, Cyclone N, Typhoon N remedied without charge and within a



reasonable amount of time, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E., Washington, D.C., 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1- 888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <u>http://www.safercar.gov</u>.

We apologize for any inconvenience this safety recall may cause, but your safety is our first concern.

Sincerely,

E-ONE, Inc.



E-ONE NOTIFICATION PROGRAM

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Owner Response Postcard

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- □ This vehicle was inspected and repaired according to instructions.
- □ This vehicle was inspected and determined to not need repair.

□ This vehicle was stolen.

 \Box This vehicle was destroyed.

Owner's (or Former Owner's) Signature

Date Signed

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL INFORMATION



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Insert Customer Name

Insert Customer Address

Insert City, ST Zip