



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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Wes Downing
Capacity of Texas
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Longview, TX 75604

NEF-107MR
23V-219

Subject: Steer Axle Fasteners May Come Loose

Dear Wes Downing:

This letter serves to acknowledge Capacity of Texas'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:
CAPACITY/TJ 5000/2020-2023

Mfr's Report Date: March 30, 2023

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V-219

Components:
STEERING:CRITICAL FASTENERS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 53

Problem Description:

Capacity of Texas is recalling certain 2020-2023 TJ5000 vehicles. The front-drive steer axle fasteners may loosen, resulting in a complete separation of the axle assembly joints.

Consequence:

Steer axle assembly separation can result in a loss of vehicle control, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Dealers will inspect and replace the pro-torque nut keeper on the steer axle assembly, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed May 12, 2023. Owners may contact Capacity of Texas customer service at 1-800-323-0135.

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 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 49 U.S.C. § 30118(f), submission of 8 consecutive quarterly reports is required. As described in 573.7, submission of the first of eight 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.

Capacity of Texas'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