

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

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Mr. Kalmer Urm
Asst. Director - Warranty
Hino Motors Sales U.S.A., Inc.
41280 Bridge Street
Novi, MI 48375

NEF-107DC 23V-560

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Inaccurate Fuel Gauge Reading

Dear Mr. Urm:

This letter serves to acknowledge Hino Motors Sales U.S.A., 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:

HINO/CONVENTIONAL MODELS/2020-2024

Mfr's Report Date: August 8, 2023

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V-560

Components:

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:INSTRUMENT PANEL:FUEL GAUGE:FUEL LEVEL FLOAT/SENSOR/SENDING UNIT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 8,025

Problem Description:

Hino Motors Sales U.S.A., Inc. (Hino) is recalling certain 2020-2024 NE7A, NE7B, NE8A, NH9A, NJ7A, NJ7B, NJ8A, NJ8J, NV7A, NV7B, and NV8A vehicles equipped with 70 or 90 gallon fuel tanks. The fuel sender float may deform and detach, which can lead to an inaccurate fuel gauge reading.

Consequence:

An inaccurate fuel gauge may result in the vehicle unexpectedly running out of fuel and stalling, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Dealers will replace the fuel sender gauge, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed October 6, 2023. Owners may contact Hino customer service at 1-248-699-9390. Hino's number for this recall is AAV70.

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 eight consecutive quarterly reports followed by three annual 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. The first of three consecutive annual status reports will be due on, or before, 1 year after the eighth quarterly report was submitted.

Hino Motors Sales U.S.A., Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Debora Crews who may be reached by email at debora.crews@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

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