Part 573 Safety Recall Report 24T-007

Manufacturer Name : Hankook Tire America Corp.
Submission Date : JUL 12, 2024
NHTSA Recall No. : 24T-007
Manufacturer Recall No. : NR

Manufacturer Information :

Manufacturer Name : Hankook Tire America Corp.
Address : 333 Commerce St., Suite 600
Nashville TN 37201
Company phone : 1-800-426-5665

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 9
Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Tire Information :

Tire Brand 1 : Hankook
Tire Line : Kinergy GT
Tire Size : 235/60R18H H436
Descriptive Information : The subject tire's noncompliant population was determined by reviewing the records for tires where the Tire Identification Number (TIN) was missing the required date code (week and year code). The noncompliant tires differ from the compliant tires because they are missing the 4-digit week and year code in the TIN.
Production Dates : JAN 17, 2024 - FEB 28, 2024

TIN (Tire Identification Number)

Plant ID	Size code	Optional Code	Begin M Code	End M Code
00T	3V	1B H0	0324	0924

Description of Noncompliance :

Description of the Noncompliance : The subject non-compliant tires were produced without the date code (week and year), as required per 49 C.F.R. §574.5(b)(3).
FMVSS 1 : 574 - Tire Identification & Recordkeeping
FMVSS 2 : NR
Description of the Safety Risk : The missing date code on the tire may prevent consumers from making informed decisions related to the age of the tire which may lead to prolonged usage. Prolonged usage could increase the risk of a crash.
Description of the Cause : The issue was caused by the buildup between the DOT plate and mold cavity and the incorrect application of the date code on the production line.
Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : N/A

Involved Components :

Component Name :	Tire
Component Description :	NR
Component Part Number :	NR

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name :	Hankook Tire Manufacturing Tennessee, LP
Address :	2950 International Blvd Clarksville Tennessee 37040
Country :	United States

Chronology :

In March 2024, Hankook was notified by its OEM customer of certain tires that did not have the required date code on the sidewall of the tires.
Between March and May 2024, Hankook reviewed its inventory, sales records, and production records, and inspected the tires in production.
On May 24, 2024, Hankook determined that 9 tires outside of Hankook's possession and control did not contain the required date codes and are not compliant with Part 574.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program :	All subject tires will be replaced by tires featuring a compliant date code portion of the TIN at no charge to the customer. All known customers, distributors, dealers, and independent outlets will receive notification of the campaign, instructions on how to identify the affected tires, corresponding DOT numbers and barcode numbers, information regarding the removal of the affected tires from service, and instructions on the return/disposal of affected tires. Hankook Tire will offer to reimburse the replacement cost for any customer who, prior to this campaign, replaced these tires due to the condition described above.
How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component :	The remedy tires will contain a compliant date code portion of the TIN.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production :	Hankook has scrapped all subject tires found within its control and possession. Hankook has also put in various procedures in place to prevent the buildup of debris in the mold cavity and to enhance the training and inspection measures on the production line.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule :	Hankook Tire will notify distributors, as well as all independent outlets that are authorized to replace the affected tires that are the subject of this recall, of their responsibilities in accordance with Section 573.6(c)(9). Distributors and outlets will be instructed to return the affected tires to Hankook Tire for disposal. Honda America filed corresponding recall 24v-508, on July 2, 2024. Hankook sold the effected tires directly to Honda America, not to any Honda dealerships or consumers. Honda will provide all owner notifications to their customers as part of their recall. Hankook is uploading a draft Consumer notification which is intended only for posting on Hankook's website, not general distribution to consumers.
Planned Dealer Notification Date :	JUN 28, 2024 - JUL 12, 2024
Planned Owner Notification Date :	NR - NR

Purchaser Information :

The following manufacturers purchased this defective/noncompliant equipment for possible use or installation in new motor vehicles or new items of motor vehicle equipment:

Name :	Honda (American Honda Motor Co.)
Address :	1919 Torrance Blvd Torrance CA 90501
Country :	US
Company Phone :	8882342138

* NR - Not Reported