



U.S. Department of Transportation

**National Highway Traffic Safety  
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

February 26, 2026

26V098

Matt Kramer  
Braun Industries, Inc.  
1170 Production Dr  
Van Wert, OH 45891

**Subject:** Insufficient Floor Strength/FMVSS 207, 210

Dear Matt Kramer:

This letter serves to acknowledge Braun 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:**

Demers Ambulances/FXP174/2025-2026

**Mfr's Report Date:** February 20, 2026

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 26V098

**Components:**

STRUCTURE: UNDERRIDE  
SEATS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 7

**Problem Description:**

Braun Industries, Inc. (Braun Ambulances) is recalling certain 2025-2026 Demers FXP174 ambulances. The floor may have insufficient strength to secure the seats in position during a crash. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard numbers 207, "Seating Systems" and 210, "Seat Belt Assembly Anchorages."

**Consequence:**

Structural failure may prevent the seat from properly restraining an occupant during a crash, increasing the risk of injury.

**Remedy:**

The remedy is currently under development. Interim owner notification letters explaining the safety risk are expected to be mailed March 9, 2026. Additional letters will be sent once the remedy becomes available. Owners may contact Braun Ambulances' customer service at 1-800-363-7591. Braun Ambulances number for this recall is 2026-1.

**Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-888-275-9171), or go to [www.nhtsa.gov](http://www.nhtsa.gov).

**Please ensure the following requirements are met:**

**Remedy Not Supplied**

Provide a description of the recall remedy as required by 49 CFR §573.6(8)(i), in an amended Part 573 Recall Report through the NHTSA Recalls Portal.

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

**Reimbursement Plan Not Supplied**

Provide 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 49 CFR 573.13. If the vehicles are new and would be covered under the manufacturer's warranty program, please state that in the reimbursement section of an amended Part 573 Recall Report through the NHTSA Recalls Portal.

**AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.**

**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).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

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.

Braun Industries, Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Sarah Shiver who may be reached by email at [sarah.shiver@dot.gov](mailto:sarah.shiver@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.



Sincerely,

*Alex Ansley*

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Chief, Recall Management Division

Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement