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Part 573 Safety Recall Report

26V060

Manufacturer Name: Pierce Manufacturing

Submission Date: Feb 04, 2026

NHTSA Recall No.: 26V060

Manufacturer Recall No.: 74B343

Manufacturer Information

Population

Manufacturer Name: Pierce Manufacturing

Address: 2600 American Drive
P.O. BOX 2017
Appleton WI, 54912-2017

Total number of potentially involved: 51

Estimated percentage with defect: 100%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2025-2025 Pierce Enforcer

Product Category: Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles

Product Type:

Fuel / Propulsion:

Production Dates: Mar 03, 2025 - Dec 18, 2025

Number of potentially involved: 27

Descriptive Information:

The recall population includes all potentially affected vehicles within a certain date range until a process change was implemented at the manufacturing location. The recall population was determined based on manufacturing records.

Vehicle 2: 2025-2025 Pierce Impel

Product Category: Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles

Product Type:

Fuel / Propulsion:

Production Dates: Mar 03, 2025 - Dec 18, 2025

Number of potentially involved: 4

Descriptive Information:

The recall population includes all potentially affected vehicles within a certain date range until a process change was implemented at the manufacturing location. The recall population was determined based on manufacturing records.

Part 573 Safety Recall Report**26V060****Vehicle 3:** 2025-2025 Pierce Saber**Product Category:** Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles**Product Type:****Fuel / Propulsion:****Production Dates:** Mar 03, 2025 - Dec 18, 2025**Number of potentially involved:** 17**Descriptive Information:**

The recall population includes all potentially affected vehicles within a certain date range until a process change was implemented at the manufacturing location. The recall population was determined based on manufacturing records.

Vehicle 4: 2025-2025 Pierce Arrow XT**Product Category:** Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles**Product Type:****Fuel / Propulsion:****Production Dates:** Mar 03, 2025 - Dec 18, 2025**Number of potentially involved:** 2**Descriptive Information:**

The recall population includes all potentially affected vehicles within a certain date range until a process change was implemented at the manufacturing location. The recall population was determined based on manufacturing records.

Vehicle 5: 2025-2025 Pierce Velocity**Product Category:** Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles**Product Type:****Fuel / Propulsion:****Production Dates:** Mar 03, 2025 - Dec 18, 2025**Number of potentially involved:** 1**Descriptive Information:**

The recall population includes all potentially affected vehicles within a certain date range until a process change was implemented at the manufacturing location. The recall population was determined based on manufacturing records.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

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A steering linkage arm bolt may have been improperly torqued during vehicle assembly.

FMVSS1:

FMVSS2:

Description of the safety risk, including crash, fire, death, injury:

An improperly torqued steering linkage arm bolt may, over time, come loose and not provide the necessary clamp load. This could result in the sudden separation of the steering linkage arm from the steering motor and lead to the loss of vehicle control, increasing the risk of a crash.

Description of the cause:**Identification of any warning that can occur:**

Should the steering arm linkage become sufficiently loose, an audible sound may be heard and the operator may feel a sensation of loose steering.

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier:

Supplier Type:

Name:

Address:

Country:

Involved Components

Component Name 1: Bolt

Component Description:

Component Part Number: 82-0233-0450

Component Name 2: Nut

Component Description:

Component Part Number: 82-3016-008

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Chronology

January 2026 – During internal verification of torque processes, there is an indication that improper torque values may have been applied at a certain sub-assembly station during the vehicle assembly process. Pierce initiates an analysis of the initial torque value indication. This analysis later confirms that at a particular sub-assembly station an incorrect torque value was being applied that did not meet the Pierce specification.

In mid-January, 2026, in-process vehicle builds are quarantined at the manufacturing facility. Further analysis confirms a population of shipped vehicles where the torque value may be suspect.

On January 23, 2026 Pierce Manufacturing makes the decision that a safety related defect may exist in the affected vehicles and to file a 573 report.

There are no reports of any kind involving steering arm linkage failures on fielded trucks.

Related NHTSA Recall Number:

Description of Remedy

Remedy Type: Repair

Consumer Advisories: Do Not Drive Park Outside

Description of remedy program:

The remedy will be provided at no charge. Pierce Manufacturing will provide a procedure for the retorquing of the affected steering arm linkage bolt. Pre-notification reimbursement is not being offered because all vehicles are covered by the new vehicle warranty.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

On vehicles produced after January 14, 2026 the torque process at the manufacturing facility verifies that the steering arm linkage bolt receives the proper torque.

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

The torque process used at the manufacturing location has been updated to confirm that the steering arm linkage bolt has received the proper torque. Vehicles produced after January 14, 2026 are subject to this updated process.

Reimbursement Plan

Manufacturer used general reimbursement plan on file.

Recall Schedule

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Notifications to customers will be made via a customer letter. The Part 577 customer letter will be mailed pending NHTSA approval. Pre-notification reimbursement is not being offered because all vehicles are covered by the new vehicle warranty.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: Feb 13, 2026 - Feb 13, 2026 No Dealers

Planned Interim Owner Notification Date: No Owners

Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date: Feb 13, 2026 - Feb 13, 2026 Phased Recall

Date when VIN will be searchable: