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Re: Inteva Door Pull Fastener Improperly Torqued

Peterbilt Recall No. 1213G

Dear Ms. Timian:

Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Part 573, PACCAR Inc hereby provides notice to NHTSA of its intention to voluntarily recall the affected population of vehicles identified below. This recall involves vehicles manufactured by the Peterbilt Motors Company, a division of PACCAR Inc.

Manufacturer - 573.6(c)(1)

Peterbilt Motors Company 1700 Woodbrook Street Denton, TX 76205

<u>Identification of Vehicles Potentially Containing Defect - 573.6(c)(2)(ii)</u>

The vehicles that may potentially contain the defect are model year 2013 and 2014 Peterbilt 587 chassis that were manufactured between May 8, 2012, and October 24, 2013.

Component Containing the Defect - 573.6(c)(2)(iv)

Component Name: Inteva Interior Door Pad Assembly

Country of Origin: United States

Manufacturer: Inteva Products, LLC

1401 Crooks Road Troy, MI 48084

Contact: Dory Nelson

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Part No.: S63-6049-******

Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Containing Defect - 573.6(c)(3)

It is estimated that the recall potentially affects 827 Peterbilt vehicles registered within the United States.

Percentage of Vehicles Estimated to Contain Defect - 573.6(c)(4)

The percentage of vehicles that may contain the defect is unknown.

<u>Description of the Defect - 573.6(c)(5)</u>

Within the Inteva door pad assembly, the fasteners that mount the inner door pull to the door pad may be insufficiently torqued.

Chronology of Principal Events that Formed Basis for Recall - 573.6(c)(6)

10/23/2013 - Peterbilt Customer Service learned that one customer had three trucks in which the inner door pull fasteners either came loose or fell out.

10/24/2013 – Peterbilt inspected parts at the Denton, Texas facility and found loose fasteners. Peterbilt initiated containment activities by torqueing the fasteners and marking with orange paint.

10/25/2013 – Inteva determined that operators on its door pad assembly line were not torqueing the door pull bolts in accordance with specifications.

10/28/2013 – Peterbilt began assessing the safety risk by investigating the manner in which loosening of a door pull becomes apparent to the operator and the speed of progression from loosening to detachment. For the investigation, several mockups were assembled with various fastener configurations.

1/16/2014 – Peterbilt concluded its assessment of safety consequences and determined that Model 587 chassis equipped with improperly torqued door pull fasteners contain a defect affecting product safety.

Description of Remedy - 573.6(c)(8)

Peterbilt will notify owners, and dealers will inspect inner door pull fasteners and torque them to the proper specification.

Communications Sent to Dealers and Owners - 573.6(c)(10)

Subject to NHTSA approval, a customer letter will be sent within 30 days.

<u>Identification of Manufacturer's Campaign Number - 573.6(c)(11)</u>

The Peterbilt number for this campaign is "1213G."

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

s/Pamela S. Tonglao

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