



June 5, 2012

Livingston Fire District
P. O. Box 34
Livingston, NY 12541

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

**RE: Safety Recall L-02 (Ref. Meritor WABCO Recall 11E039000)
KME Predators, Predators SS, Predator Panthers and
Predators XL Vehicles Equipped with Meritor WABCO Electronic
Stability Controls Manufactured between March 2010 and
October 2011**

Dear Customer:

This notice is being sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Kovatch Mobile Equipment Corp. ("KME") has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain model year 2010 through 2011 Predator model emergency vehicles manufactured from March 1, 2010, through October 10, 2011, equipped with Meritor WABCO Electronic Stability Controls (ESC).

Under certain road and driving conditions, vehicle body and road inclination characteristics may adversely affect the slip angle calculation of the ESC system, which may cause the ESC to falsely perceive an over-steering situation and, therefore, apply the outer wheel brake on the front axle until the vehicle is perceived to be stable. This unnecessary brake intervention may pull the vehicle out of the curve if the driver does not counter steer to keep the vehicle on its intended path. These ESC systems were installed in some KME Predators, Predators SS, Predator Panthers and Predators XL vehicles from March 2010 to October 2011, and our records show that you are an owner of one or more of these vehicles.

KME is working with Meritor WABCO to replace all noncompliant Generation 3 ESC control modules with compliant Generation 5 modules at no cost or expense to you. Upon completion of these repairs, the defect risk is eliminated.

If you have already had your vehicle repaired, please confirm that to us by completing the attached form, and faxing or e-mailing it to KME as indicated on the

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form. In the event you have not made arrangements for repair of your KME vehicle, please call or write to schedule the repair to:

Edward Opella
KME Customer Service
Kovatch Mobile Equipment Corp.
One Industrial Complex
Nesquehoning, PA 18240
(570) 669-5173

If you feel that you have not received the safety defect remedy without charge and within a reasonable time, you may wish to write the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590 or call 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We recognize the inconvenience this causes you and your staff. However, this action reflects KME's commitment to high quality standards and ensuring that our products fully meet your expectations. Your failure to arrange for this repair results in a continuing risk of possible unnecessary brake intervention, resulting in a safety hazard. Please feel free to call Ed Opella in our Customer Service Department at (570) 996-5173 should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

JOHN J. KOVATCH, IV
Director of Customer Service

From: _____

To: Kovatch Mobile Equipment Corp.
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Date: _____

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The repairs to our KME Predator vehicle in order to correct the above-referenced
defect were completed on _____ by _____
_____.

Please return this form by facsimile transmission to (570) 669-9966 or by E-mail to
lyanega@kovatch.com.