



U.S. Department of Transportation  
**National Highway Traffic Safety  
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Gary Chandler  
All Wheel Drive Equipment Mfg., Inc.  
2022 E. 61st Street North  
Tulsa, OK 74130

NVS-215SM  
14V-491

**Subject:** PTO Pressure Switch Oil Leak may Result in Fire

Dear Mr. Chandler:

This letter serves to acknowledge All Wheel Drive Equipment Mfg., 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:**  
SUPER DUTY/F-550/2011-2012

**Mfr's Report Date:** August 7, 2014

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 14V-491

**Components:**  
EQUIPMENT

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 3

**Problem Description:**

All Wheel Drive Equipment Mfg., Inc. (All Wheel) is recalling certain 2011-2012 Ford F-550 Super Duty chassis with a 6.8L gasoline engine, modified by All Wheel and equipped with certain Muncie Power Products PTO Assemblies. In the affected vehicles, oil may leak from the PTO pressure switch onto a thermal blanket covering the exhaust.

**Consequence:**

The leaking oil may soak into the thermal blanket covering the exhaust, which when combined with heat from exhaust, may result in an increased risk of fire.

**Remedy:**

All Wheel has notified the affected owners, and dealers will install a new pressure switch kit that moves the switch away from the exhaust system, free of charge. Owners were notified on June 10, 2014 by certified mail. Owners may contact All Wheel customer service at 1-800-311-4778.

**Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to [www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov).

It is our understanding that notification to owners began on June 10, 2014, prior to our review of the owner notification letter. Should it become necessary for All Wheel to do a renotification, the follow-up notification must be submitted to this office for review and it must comply with the requirements of Part 577.5, "Notification pursuant to a manufacturer's decision" and Part 577.10, "Follow-up notification."

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six 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.

Your contact for this recall will be Sarah Mcshane who may be reached by phone at 202-366-7401, or by email at [sarah.mcshane@dot.gov](mailto:sarah.mcshane@dot.gov) or through the office email at [rmd.odi@dot.gov](mailto:rmd.odi@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian  
Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigations  
Enforcement