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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215paw
08V-487

SUBJECT: DPF BRACKET STRAPS/CATERPILLAR

DEAR MR. WALTON:

This letter serves to acknowledge PACCAR Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect in the products described below for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30119.

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:

KENWORTH/T600/2006-2009
KENWORTH/T660/2006-2009
KENWORTH/T800/2006-2009
KENWORTH/W900/2006-2009
KENWORTH/T2000/2006-2009
PETERBILT/365/2008-2009
PETERBILT/367/2008-2009
PETERBILT/379/2008-2009
PETERBILT/384/2008-2009
PETERBILT/386/2008-2009
PETERBILT/387/2008-2009
PETERBILT/388/2008-2009
PETERBILT/389/2008-2009

NHTSA Campaign Number: 08V-487

Mfg's Report Date: September 22, 2008

Components: ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING: ENGINE: DIESEL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 3,640

Summary:

PACCAR IS RECALLING 3,640 MY 2006-2009 KENWORTH T600, T660, T800, W900, T2000 AND MY 2008-2009 PETERBILT 365, 367, 379, 384, 386, 387, 388 AND 389 TRUCKS. INADEQUATE STIFFNESS OF THE DIESEL PARTICULATE FILTER (DPF) BRACKET COULD RESULT IN SEPARATION OF THE DPF FROM THE CHASSIS.

Consequence:

A VEHICLE CRASH COULD OCCUR IF ANOTHER VEHICLE STRIKES THE DPF ON THE ROADWAY.

Remedy:

PACCAR IS WORKING WITH CATERPILLAR (PLEASE SEE 08E041). OWNERS MAY CONTACT CATERPILLAR AT 1-800-447-4986 OR KENWORTH AT 1-425-828-5440 OR PETERBILT AT 1-940-591-4196.

Notes:

KENWORTH RECALL NO. 08KWD AND PETERBILT RECALL NO. 908G. CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

It is our understanding that Caterpillar will be handling the owner notification, remedy and quarterly reporting for this campaign. However, please be advised that 49 CFR 573.6 provides that the vehicle manufacturer is responsible for any safety related defect or any noncompliance in the vehicle or any item of original equipment. If Caterpillar's campaign is not satisfactory, you may be required to conduct a follow-up notification.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at Patricia.wallace@dot.gov, Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



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Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement