

October 30, 2003

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Safety Assurance
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street SW, Room 5319
Washington, D.C. 20590

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NHTSA

**Re: Caterpillar C7 or 3126E 2002 Engine and Horton Fan Hub
NHTSA Recall No.: 03V-306
Peterbilt Recall No.: 803-E**

Dear Mr. Person:

Enclosed is the notification letter that was sent by Peterbilt to its dealers/service managers on October 22, 2003. Also enclosed is the owner notification letter that was mailed on October 29, 2003.

Very truly yours,



Kenneth R. Brownstein
Senior Counsel

Enclosure
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October 16, 2003

SUBJECT: SAFETY RECALL #803-E
HORTON DRIVEMASTER FAN HUB
EXPIRATION DATE: NONE

Dear Peterbilt Customer:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Peterbilt Motors Company has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Peterbilt vehicles which were manufactured between August 1, 2002 and September 18, 2003. Your vehicle was built during this timeframe with the affected components.

There is a reduction of the clamp load of the lower mounting bolts of the fan hub. The loss of clamp load causes unwanted vibration in the assembly that leads to bolt failure caused by bolt fatigue. If the bolts fail, the complete hub and fan assembly may separate from the engine, which may result in equipment damage and/or personal injury with the hood raised.

Peterbilt has initiated a recall campaign to correct this condition by removing paint on the fan hub mounting area and adding a rigid spacer across the two lower mounting holes to maintain the clamping force and replace all the bolts and washers. Vehicles that have the rigid spacer may need to have paint removed and the bolts and washers changed. As of the date of this letter, please contact the nearest Peterbilt dealership immediately to have this condition corrected. This procedure should take no more than 1.7 hrs. and will be performed at no charge to you.

If you require further information about this recall, or experience any difficulty in making arrangements for the repair, please contact: Peterbilt Motors Company, 1700 Woodbrook Street, Denton, Texas 76205-7664, attention: Customer Service Department, phone: 940/591-4171.

If you conclude that Peterbilt Motors Company has not enabled you to remedy this defect in reasonable time and without charge, you may submit a complaint to: Administrator for Safety Assurance, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street SW, Washington DC 20590, or call the toll free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236.

Federal regulation requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

If you no longer own this truck, we would appreciate your advising us of the new owner, if the name is known to you. The enclosed postage-paid envelope may be used for this purpose.

If you paid to have this service done prior to receiving this letter, Peterbilt is offering a full refund. For information required to submit a claim for reimbursement, please call TruckCare 1-800-473-8372 and press 8 for TTY access.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause you and appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Mike Conroy
Quality Services Manager