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TO:  
[Customer name]  
[address]

[date]

NVS-215cg  
EQ 14-006  
13V-458  
14E-016

FR:  
Robert Booth  
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PALFLEET Truck Equipment Company, LLC  
5617 Fern Valley Rd  
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**Subject: Safety Recalls 13V-458, and 14E-016**

Dear [CUSTOMER NAME]:

On March 25, 2014, Muncie Power, Inc (Muncie) notified the NHTSA that it decided a defect exists in certain PTO Assembly Pressure Switches, part number 30T37594, manufactured June 1, 2009, through June 30, 2013. Muncie's defect report explained that its pressure switches could leak oil onto a thermal blanket that could then catch fire when installed on Ford F350-F550 Super Duty chassis with 6.8L gasoline engines. This matter was assigned recall number 14E-016. A copy of the notification is enclosed for you information.

Our records indicate that during this time we manufactured [number of vehicles] for [Company Name]. The vehicles(s) are identified by VIN [vin number(s)], Please remove these vehicles from Service and contact us immediately in order to schedule an install of the Retro-fit kit that Muncie has issued to correct the defective part(s).

Respectfully,

Robert Booth

Safety Defect and Noncompliance Report Guide for *Vehicles*

PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report

Date: June 19, 2014

This report serves as PalFleet Truck Equipment Company, LLC, notification to the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that a [insert as applicable: “defect related to motor vehicle safety” or “noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards”] exists in certain [identify the vehicles at issue]. [Manufacturer] decided that this [insert “defect” or “noncompliance,” as applicable] existed in these vehicles on [insert date].

I. Manufacturer, Designated Agent, and Other Chain of Distribution Information

Manufacturer’s corporate name: PalFleet Truck Equipment Company, LLC

Vehicle brand or trademark name owner(s) (where applicable): Ford

Designated Agent (imported vehicles): N/A

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If this notification concerns a defective or noncompliant component that the above identified manufacturer did not manufacture, identify that component and provide the name, address, and phone number of the manufacturer of the component (if this manufacturer is unknown, provide this information as to the supplier of the component):  
Muncie Power Products, Inc : Karen Alexander & Paul Frazee 765-284-7721

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Name, address, email, and phone and fax numbers for the person(s) to whom inquiries about this report should be directed:

PalFleet Truck Equipment Company, LLC  
c/o Robert Booth  
5617 Fern Valley Road  
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Manufacturer’s assigned campaign number (where applicable):

II. Identification of the Recall Population and Its Size

Complete the tables below for each group of vehicles subject to this notification. Additional tables may be necessary where there are more than three groups subject to a notification.

Make: FORD
Model: F-SERIES SUPER DUTY
Model Year(s): 2009-2013
Inclusive dates of manufacture (month and year): June 1, 2009 through June 30, 2013
Body Style/Type (for non-passenger cars):
Other information necessary to describe these vehicles (e.g., VIN range, GVWR or class for trucks, displacement for motorcycles, and number of passengers for buses): GASOLINE ENGINE (6.8L) ONLY
Total number of these vehicles: 10

Provide the following information as to all the groups of vehicles:

Grand total number of vehicles: 10

The percentage of the recall population you estimate actually contain the defect or noncompliance: 10

Identify and describe how the recall population was determined (e.g., on what basis the recalled models were selected and how the inclusive dates of manufacture were determined):

Via email correspondence: Received notice via Karen Alexander & Paul Frazee, Muncie, to determine gasoline PTO's ordered. Using our data base to determine Customer of purchased vehicle with PTO installed.

Describe how the recall population is different from any similar vehicles not subject to this notification:

The 10 effected PTO's are for GASOLINE 6.8L engines only. The 27 report by Muncie contained both GASOLINE -and- DIESEL, the recall specified GASOLINE. Therefore, this recall affects the 10 vehicles that have GASOLINE (6.8L) engines.

III. Description of the Defect or Noncompliance and Chronology of Events

Describe the defect or noncompliance, including a summary and detailed description of the nature and physical location (if appropriate) of the defect or noncompliance.

Graphic aids should be provided where necessary.

The switches rubber diaphragm could become brittle, allowing transmission fluid onto opposite side (internal construction) of the diaphragm.

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Describe the cause(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

A thermal event can occur.

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Identify any warning(s) that may precede the defect or noncompliance condition.

During normal maintenance inspections, a visual notice of transmission fluid seep from the pressure switch screw (on the side of the switch body) can be seen.

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*For defects*, provide a dated, chronological summary of all the principle events that were the basis for the determination that the defect is related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information such as numbers of crashes, injuries and fatalities.

N/A

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*For noncompliances*, identify the test results and other information considered in determining the existence of the noncompliance, and provide the date of each test and observation indicative of that noncompliance.

N/A

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IV. The Remedy Program and Its Schedule

Describe the program for remedying the defect or noncompliance, including the plan for reimbursing those owners and purchasers who may have incurred costs to remedy the defect or noncompliance before receiving the manufacturer's notification concerning that defect or noncompliance. Also include, where applicable, details with dates concerning any production remedy that was conducted or will be conducted.

Muncie will provide a Retro-Fit Kit for the effected PTO switches. PalFleet Truck Equipment Company, LLC, will notify the Customer and schedule for the up fit of the Retro-Fit Kit to be installed.

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Provide the estimated date(s) on which owner and purchaser notifications will be issued and the estimated date(s) for completion of those notifications.

N/A

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Provide the estimated date(s) on which dealer and distributor notifications will be issued and the estimated date(s) for completion of those notifications.

N/A

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Clearly describe the distinguishing characteristics of the remedy component/assembly versus the recalled component/assembly.

N/A

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**\*\*\*\*\* IMPORTANT REMINDERS \*\*\*\*\***

A DRAFT version of the letter that the manufacturer intends to mail to owners and purchasers notifying them of the defect and/or noncompliance must be submitted to NHTSA at least five Federal Government business days before those letters are issued. In addition, it is recommended that the draft version of the letter that the manufacturer intends to send to its dealers and distributors concerning the defect and/or noncompliance also be submitted for review. For prompt receipt and review, drafts may be submitted to the attention of the Recall Management Division (NVS-215) via facsimile on (202) 366-7882, or email to RMD.ODI@dot.gov.

A representative copy of all notices, bulletins, and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and which are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser, must be submitted to NHTSA no later than five days after they are initially sent. This requirement applies both to the final version of the notification letter that is sent to owners and purchasers, as well as the final version that is sent to dealers and distributors. It also includes any follow-up notifications issued concerning a recall. The representative copies of the letters sent to owners and purchasers, and dealers and distributors, must be submitted via certified mail. It is strongly recommended, however, that additional representative copies be submitted via facsimile on (202) 366-7882, or email to RMD.ODI@dot.gov, so that the submission can be more promptly reviewed. All submissions should be conspicuously labeled with the appropriate NHTSA-assigned recall number.