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Re: **Cummins Fleetguard FF63009**  
**Kenworth Recall No.: 14KWJ**  
**Peterbilt Recall No.: 814-H**

Dear Ms. Timian:

Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Part 573, PACCAR Inc hereby provides notice to NHTSA of its intention to voluntarily recall the affected population of vehicles identified below. This recall involves vehicles manufactured by the Kenworth Truck Company and Peterbilt Motors Company, both divisions of PACCAR Inc.

**Manufacturer - 573.6(c)(1)**

Kenworth Truck Company  
10630 NE 38th Place  
Kirkland, Washington 98033

Peterbilt Motors Company  
1700 Woodbrook Street  
Denton, Texas 76205

**Identification of Vehicles Potentially Containing Defect - 573.6(c)(2)(ii)**

The vehicles that may potentially contain the defect are model year 2015:

- Kenworth Model K270, T270, K370, T370, T440, T470, and W900 chassis that were manufactured between May 13, 2014, and July 23, 2014.
- Peterbilt Model 210, 220, 320, 325, 330, 337, 348, 365, 382, 384 and 567 chassis that were manufactured between May 8, 2014, and July 22, 2014.

**Component Containing the Defect – 573.6(c)(2)(iv)**

Component Name: Cummins Fleetguard FF63009 Fuel Filters

Manufacturer: Cummins, Inc.  
500 Jackson Street  
Columbus, IN 47201

Contact: Mark L. Wilson, Director- Product Safety

Telephone: (812) 377-7543

**Total Number of Vehicles Potentially Containing Defect - 573.6(c)(3)**

Within the United States, a total of 2045 (1064 Kenworth and 981 Peterbilt) vehicles potentially contain defective fuel filters.

**Percentage of Vehicles Estimated to Contain Defect - 573.6(c)(4)**

Cummins believes that 25 percent of the vehicles within the potentially affected population may contain the defect.

**Description of the Defect - 573.6(c)(5)**

Cummins, Inc. is recalling Fleetguard FF63009 fuel filters installed on Cummins ISB and ISL engines that may contain a defective bond between the fuel filter shell and the fuel filter nut plate. If the bond fails, the fuel filter shell may separate from the fuel filter nut plate. In the event these components become separated, the engine may stall without prior warning. The operator will not be able to restart the engine until the fuel filter has been replaced.

Consequence: An unexpected engine stall may lead to an increased risk of a crash or injury.

**Chronology of Events Leading to Recall – 573.6(c)(6)**

On July 7, 2014 an engine at a Cummins engine plant experienced a fuel filter failure during an engine test. Cummins also received a report of a fuel filter failure at an OEM vehicle assembly plant.

Cummins initiated a failure investigation, including product testing, and was able to duplicate the failure in test conditions. A Product Safety Hazard Analysis was completed. During this time, Cummins received reports of three additional failures at OEM vehicle assembly plants and two failures in the field.

Based upon the results of the failure investigation and testing, on July 22, 2014, Cummins decided to initiate a voluntary campaign to remedy the condition.

Cummins notified Kenworth and Peterbilt of its decision to recall the affected fuel filters.

On August 5, 2014, Kenworth and Peterbilt concurred in Cummins’s decision that a defect related to safety exists.

To date, PACCAR has not received any reports of injuries, fatalities, or fires related to the fuel filter failure.

**Description of Remedy - 573.6(c)(8)**

Cummins will notify customers whose vehicles may contain defective fuel filters. An authorized Cummins service facility will replace the fuel filters free of charge. Cummins will administer the recall and provide quarterly reports to NHTSA.

**Communications Sent to Dealers and Owners – 573.6(c)(10)**

Cummins has represented to NHTSA and to PACCAR that it will notify customers and dealers.

**Identification of Manufacturer’s Campaign Number - 573.6(c)(11)**

Kenworth’s number for this campaign is “14KWJ.” Peterbilt’s campaign number is “814-H.”

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding this report.

Very truly yours,

s/Pamela S. Tonglao

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