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Recall T-1409: Fuel Filter

August 11, 2014

Associate Administrator for Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Attn: Recall Management Division (NVS-215)  
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Report Pursuant to 49 CFR 573.6  
Autocar, LLC Recall No. T-1409  
In Response to Cummins Inc. and Cummins Westport Inc. (collectively, "Cummins") Recall Nos. C1545  
(ODI no. TBA)

The following information is in accordance with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 573.6 as it applies to a defect relating to motor vehicle safety.

**573.6(c)(1): The manufacturer's name**

Autocar Industries, LLC ("Autocar").

**573.6(c)(2): Identification of the vehicles including a description of the manufacturer's basis for its determination of the recall population**

Autocar has identified a defect in 2015 model-year Xspotter model heavy-duty class 8 vehicles built by Autocar between May 23, 2014 and June 13, 2014, with serial numbers in the range 217963 through 218307. The defect occurs in vehicles equipped with certain Cummins ISL and ISB engines equipped with Fleetguard UFF-XT fuel filters, part number FF63009, manufactured between April 25, 2014 and June 29, 2014 and having a date code between 14115 and 14180. Autocar based its determination of the recall population on Cummins' reported affected engine serial numbers.

**573.6(c)(2)(iv): Identification of the component and the manufacturer of the component that contains the defect or noncompliance**

Component: Cummins ISL and ISB engines  
Manufacturer: Cummins, Inc.  
Address: 500 Jackson Street, Columbus, Indiana 47201  
Telephone: (812) 377-7543

**573.6(c)(3): The total number of vehicles or items of equipment potentially containing the defect**

7 vehicles are potentially affected.

**573.6(c)(4): The percentage of vehicles or items of equipment estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance**

100% of the vehicles are potentially affected.

**573.6(c)(5): A description of the defect or noncompliance, including both a brief summary and a detailed description, with graphic aids as necessary, of the nature and physical location (if applicable) of the defect or noncompliance**



As set forth in Cummins' July 29, 2014 notice to NHTSA: *The bond that attaches the filter shell to the filter nut plate may fail. If this occurs, the shell may separate from fuel filter nut plate, causing the engine to stall without prior warning and without the ability to restart the engine until fuel filter is replaced.*

**573.6(c)(6) and (7): A chronology of all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety**

31 July 2014 Cummins notified Autocar of the issue.

5 August 2014 Based upon the information provided by Cummins, after verifying the suspect population, Autocar decided to conduct a safety recall.

**573.6(c)(8)(i): A description of the manufacturer's program for remedying the defect or noncompliance**

As set forth in Cummins' July 29, 2014 notice to NHTSA, Cummins will voluntarily initiate an owner notification and recall of all affected vehicles. Cummins will distribute to owners of affected vehicles an Owner Notification Letter which will describe the defect and provide instructions for scheduling repair of the vehicle, at no cost to the vehicle's owner.

**573.6(c)(8)(ii): The estimated date(s) on which it will begin sending notifications to owners, and to dealers and distributors**

5 August 2014 Autocar decided to initiate a recall.

11 August 2014 573.6 letter sent to NHTSA.

8 August 2014 Owner notification letter to be sent by Cummins.

NOTE: All dates are subject to change by Cummins, which will conduct the recall.

**573.6(c)(9):**

Not Applicable.

**573.6(c)(11): The manufacturer's campaign number, if not identical to the identification number assigned by NHTSA**

Autocar's campaign number assigned to this recall is T-1409.

Very truly yours,

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