



U.S. Department of Transportation  
**National Highway Traffic Safety  
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

June 1, 2015

Mr. Tony Wayne  
President  
Eldorado National- California, Inc.  
9670 Galena Street  
Riverside, CA 92509

NVS-215SM  
15V-260

**Subject:** Wire that Connects Starter to Alternator May Chafe

Dear Mr. Wayne:

This letter serves to acknowledge Eldorado National- California, Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. 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:**

ELDORADO/PASSPORT/2012-2014

**Mfr's Report Date:** May 1, 2015

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 15V-260

**Components:**

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:WIRING

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 117

**Problem Description:**

Eldorado National-California, Inc. (Eldorado National) is recalling certain model year 2012-2014 Passport HD vehicles manufactured May 1, 2012, to June 30, 2014. In the affected vehicles, the power cable that connects the starter motor to the alternator may chafe on the auxiliary air conditioning compressor bracket.

**Consequence:**

If the wire chafes, the wire may short to ground, increasing the risk of a fire.

**Remedy:**

Eldorado National has notified owners, and dealers will inspect & secure the wires to protect them from rubbing on the compressor bracket. Any wire that is damaged will be replaced. These repairs will be performed free of charge. The recall began on May 15, 2015. Owner's may contact Eldorado National customer service at 1-909-591-9557.

**Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to [www.safercar.gov](http://www.safercar.gov).

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

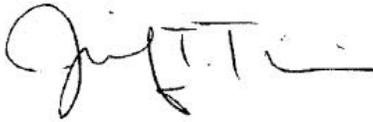
Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Sarah Mcshane who may be reached by phone at 202-366-7401, or by email at [sarah.mcshane@dot.gov](mailto:sarah.mcshane@dot.gov) or through the office email at [rmd.odi@dot.gov](mailto:rmd.odi@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian  
Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigations  
Enforcement