



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

September 15, 2015

Mr. Matt Larrison
Recaro Child Safety, LLC
1600 Harmon Road
Auburn Hills, MI 48326

NVS-215KS
14C-005

Subject: Tether and Anchorage Failure/FMVSS 213

Dear Mr. Larrison:

This letter serves to acknowledge Recaro Child Safety, LLC'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:

RECARO/PERFORMANCE RIDE/9999
RECARO/PRORIDE/9999

Mfr's Report Date: July 20, 2015

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14C-005

Components:

CHILD SEAT:VEHICLE TETHER ANCHOR

Potential Number of Units Affected: 173,063

Problem Description:

Recaro Child Safety, LLC (Recaro) is recalling certain ProRIDE child restraints, model number 332.01 in all colors (AK21, KAEC, KAEG, KK91, MC11, MJ15, QA56, QA9N, QQ11, QQ14, and QQ95), manufactured from April 9, 2010, through June 9, 2015, and Performance RIDE child restraints, model number 333.01 in all colors (CHIL, HABB, HAZE, JEBB, JETT, KNGT, MABB, MARI, MNGT, PLUM, PLBB, REBB, SLBB, REDD, ROBB, ROSE, SABB, SAPH, SLTE, VIBB, VIBE), manufactured from January 15, 2013, through June 9, 2015. In the event of a crash, the top tether anchorage may detach from the child restraint. As such, these restraints fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 213, "Child Restraint Systems."

Consequence:

If the top tether anchorage detaches from the child restraint, there is an increased risk of injury to the child or other vehicle occupants.

Remedy:

Recaro will notify and send all registered owners a length of webbing with loops on both ends and instructions to further secure the child restraints. The retrofit kit will be provided free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in September 2015. Owners may contact Recaro customer service at 1-866-628-4750 or by email at recarorecall@m-s-s.com.

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.



Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

We have received Recaro's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), 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).

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 Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

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