



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Kevin Schlosser  
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NVS-215MR  
15E-077

**Subject:** 10-Speed Manual Transmission may Remain in Reverse

Dear Mr. Schlosser:

This letter serves to acknowledge Eaton Corporation'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:**

EATON/FR 10-SPEED TRANSMISSION/9999

**Mfr's Report Date:** September 17, 2015

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 15E-077

**Components:**

POWER TRAIN:MANUAL TRANSMISSION

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 75

**Problem Description:**

Eaton (Eaton Corporation) is recalling certain Eaton Fuller FR-Series 10-speed manual transmissions, models FR-14210B, FRF-15210B, FRF-9210B, FRM-15210B, FRO-11210B, FRO-13210B, FRO-14210C, FRO-15210C, FRO-16210B, FRO-16210C, FROF-11210C, FROF-12210C, FROF-13210C, FROF-14210C, FROF-15210C, and FROF-16210C, manufactured December 18, 2014, to December 21, 2014. When the transmission shift lever is moved from reverse to neutral, the reverse gear may stay engaged. When the transmission shift lever is moved from reverse to a forward gear position, the transmission may mechanically lock because both the reverse gear and forward gear are simultaneously engaged.

**Consequence:**

Even though the transmission has been shifted out of reverse into neutral, the vehicle may unexpectedly move backwards, increasing the risk of a crash.

**Remedy:**

Eaton will notify the vehicle manufacturers that purchased the transmissions. Those vehicle manufacturers will notify owners and remedy the recall issue, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact Eaton's customer service number at 1-800-386-1911.

**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:

You are required to submit a draft Original Equipment Manufacturer notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final Original Equipment Manufacturer 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).

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 Michelle Rice who may be reached by phone at 202-366-1060, or by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov or through the office email at 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 the first name being the most prominent.

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