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Administration**

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NEF-150CL
20T-007

Subject: Possible Tread/Bead Detachment

Dear Mr. Steranko:

This letter serves to acknowledge Yokohama Tire 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:

YOKOHAMA/108R/11R24.5
YOKOHAMA/109L/11R22.5
YOKOHAMA/109L/285/75R24.5
YOKOHAMA/109L/295/75R22.5
YOKOHAMA/709ZL/11R24.5
YOKOHAMA/709ZL/285/75R24.5
YOKOHAMA/712L/11R22.5
YOKOHAMA/712L/295/75R22.5
YOKOHAMA/715R/295/75R22.5
YOKOHAMA/LY053/11R24.5
YOKOHAMA/RV023/255/70R22.5
YOKOHAMA/RV023/285/75R24.5
YOKOHAMA/RV023/295/75R22.5
YOKOHAMA/RV617/11R22.5
YOKOHAMA/RV617/11R24.5
YOKOHAMA/TY517 MC2/11R22.5
YOKOHAMA/TY517 MC2/285/75R24.5
YOKOHAMA/TY517 MC2/295/75R22.5
YOKOHAMA/TY527/11R24.5

Mfr's Report Date: March 17, 2020

NHTSA Campaign Number: 20T-007

Components:

TIRES:BEAD
TIRES:TREAD/BELT

Potential Number of Units Affected:

4,209

Problem Description:

Yokohama Tire Corporation (Yokohama Tire) is recalling certain Yokohama RY023 tires, size 255/70R22.5 16H (DOT date code 0320 and 0520 through 0620), RY023 tires, size 295/75R22.5 16H (DOT date codes 0320 through 0520), RY023 tires, size 285/75R24.5 14G (DOT date codes 0320 and 0520), RY617 tires, size 11R22.5 16H (DOT date code 0320), RY617 tires, size 11R24.5 16H (DOT date codes 0220 and 0420 through 0620), TY517 MC2 tires, size 295/75R22.5 14G (DOT date codes 0220 through 0620), TY517 MC2 tires, size 285/75R24.5 14G (DOT date codes 0420 through 0620), TY517 MC2 tires, size 11R22.5 16H (DOT date codes 0320 through 0620), TY527 tires, size 11R24.5 16H (DOT date code 0520), 712L tires, size 295/75R22.5 16H (DOT date codes 0420 through 0620), 712L tires, size 11R22.5 16H (DOT date codes 0620 and 0320 through 0420), 709ZL tires, size 285/75R24.5 14G (DOT date code 0420), 709ZL tires, size 11R24.5 14G (DOT date code 0220), LY053 tires, size 11R24.5 16H (DOT date codes 0320 through 0620), 109L tires, size 11R22.5 14G (DOT date codes 0220 and 0420 through 0620), 109L tires, size 285/75R24.5 14G (DOT date codes 0620 and 0320 through 0420), 109L tires, size 295/75R22.5 14G (DOT date code 0420), 108R tires, size 11R24.5 16H (DOT date codes 0320 and 0620), and 715R tires, size 295/75R22.5 16H (DOT date codes 0320 through 0420). Due to improper manufacturing, the tires tread or bead may detach, possibly resulting in loss of vehicle control. As such, these tires fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 119, "New Pneumatic Tires - Other than Passenger Cars."

Consequence:

A sudden loss of vehicle control increases the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Yokohama will notify owners, and dealers will replace the tires, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin March 31, 2020. Owners may contact Yokohama customer service at 1-800-423-4544.

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.

We have received Yokohama Tire'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).

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 Choon Lee who may be reached by phone at 202 366 0388, or by email at choon.lee@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Joshua Neff
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Enforcement