

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

February 23, 2023

Mrs. Julia Winter Nikola Corporation 4141 E. Broadway Dr. Phoenix, AZ 85040 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-107SS 23V-090

Subject: Missing or Loose Brake Pedal Locking Screw

Dear Mrs. Winter:

This letter serves to acknowledge Nikola 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:

NIKOLA/TRE BEV/2022

Mfr's Report Date: February 16, 2023

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V-090

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC: PEDALS AND LINKAGES

Potential Number of Units Affected: 137

Problem Description:

Nikola Corporation (Nikola) is recalling certain 2022 TRE BEV vehicles. The shaft locking screw on the brake pedal may be missing or may not be fully threaded, which can cause the brake pedal to detach.

Consequence:

A detached brake pedal can cause a loss of pedal function, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Dealers will repair or replace the brake pedal units as necessary, free of charge. All vehicles were inspected and repaired by November 1, 2022. Owners may contact Nikola customer service at 1-630-808-4531. Nikola's number for this recall is 22VDC0908.

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.nhtsa.gov.

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 eight 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.

Nikola Corporation's contact for this recall will be Sarah Shiver who may be reached by email at sarah.shiver@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

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