



TEMC ADVISOR



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TECHNICAL ALERT BULLETIN

SUBJECT: BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE TIRE RECALL

1. This technical alert bulletin is provided to assist activities that have vehicles with Firestone tires models ATX, ATXII or Wilderness AT on them.
2. Ford, General Motors Corp., Nissan Motor Co., Toyota Motor Corp. and Subaru sell the ATX, ATXII and Wilderness AT tire lines as original equipment on SUV's and pickups. This recall is also for replacement tires of these models and for any other type of vehicle using these tire lines.
3. According to Firestone the majority of the problems with the tires seem to be heat related. Improperly inflated tires and speed are two contributing factors in heat build up in tires. It is recommended that activities make a concerted effort to maintain the proper inflation level on all tires and to caution drivers to drive according to speed limits and road conditions, especially until tires can be checked and/or replaced by manufactures representative.
4. Recall letters have been sent out by Firestone to everyone they have knowledge of purchasing these tires explaining what needs to be done. If you do not receive a letter and have any of these tires, Firestone has a toll free customer service number at 1-800-465-1904 to answer questions.
5. Additional information will be provided by the Seabee Logistics Center, Port Hueneme.
6. If further assistance is needed, LANTDIV TEMC point of contact is at (757) 322-4017 or DSN 262-4017.