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RE: Hesco Model 4600 Advisory

Dear Valued Customer,

Since its January 2015 NIJ Level IV Certification, Hesco's Model 4600 has proven to be a reliable design, including passing an NIJ Follow-up Inspection Testing (FIT) surveillance audit in December 2017. NIJ requires such FIT tests every two years for ISO-Certified plate manufacturers like Hesco Armor.

During the 4600's latest NIJ surveillance audit conducted on December 9, 2019 one of the four required sample plates experienced a complete penetration by the M2 AP test round. The other three plates passed without issue. We expect NIJ will suspend this model as part of its standard protocol. Accordingly, until the matter is fully investigated and resolved, the 4600 will not be sold by Hesco or its distributors.

A technical analysis is underway to determine the root cause of this single plate's failure. Hesco will keep you informed as more is learned.

Sincerely,

HESCO ARMOR, INC.