



U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations



TRANSPORTATION AND HEAVY INDUSTRY

OPERATION ENGINE NEWITY

The National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center (IPR Center) in conjunction with Homeland Security Investigations (HSI), U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and other law enforcement agencies collaborate to counter the threat of counterfeit automotive, aerospace, rail, and heavy industry related components that are illegally imported and distributed throughout the United States. These counterfeit components represent a grave threat to public safety due to the critical nature of transportation-related applications and can include such components as airbags, brake pads, steering rods, and bearings. The faulty operation of these devices alone can cause bodily harm, but in some cases can result in a catastrophic accident like an air crash or major mass transit incident, such as a train derailment.



Operation Engine Newity seeks to bring to bear all elements of federal law enforcement to counter this

threat by educating industry stakeholders and the public, interdicting the counterfeit goods at the ports of entry, and investigating and prosecuting individuals who traffic these goods for monetary gain.

A key element of Operation Engine Newity is strong engagement with industry. This partnership is critical to success since they are the product experts and are extremely knowledgeable about the possible risks from counterfeit parts. For this reason, the IPR Center makes outreach and engagement a top priority of this program.



Operation Engine Newity Key Areas

PUBLIC SAFETY

- Counterfeit Airbags
- Counterfeit Engine and Drivetrain Components
- Counterfeit Suspension Parts
- Counterfeit Brake Pads and Rotors
- Counterfeit Wheels
- Counterfeit Bearings
- Counterfeit Headlights and Taillights
- Counterfeit Body and Structural Components
- Counterfeit Glass