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**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215paw
07V-259

Subject: HYDRAULIC HOSES

Dear MR. KOSKE:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect information report. 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:
GILLIG/PHANTOM/2007
GILLIG/LOW FLOOR/2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 07V-259

Mfg's Report Date: June 4, 2007

Components: STEERING:HYDRAULIC POWER ASSIST:HOSE, PIPING, AND CONNECTIONS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 291

Summary:

ON CERTAIN TRANSIT BUSES, THE HYDRAULIC HOSE LOCATED IN THE ENGINE COMPARTMENT WAS MANUFACTURED INCORRECTLY WHICH COULD CAUSE A HYDRAULIC FLUID LEAK.

Consequence:

HYDRAULIC FLUID LEAKAGE COULD LEAD TO A LOSS OF FLUID WHICH COULD AFFECT VEHICLE STEERING OR CREATE THE CONDITIONS FOR A POTENTIAL ENGINE COMPARTMENT FIRE.

Remedy:

GILLIG WILL PROVIDE CORRECT HOSES TO THEIR CUSTOMERS FOR REPLACEMENT OR WILL REPLACE THE HOSES FOR THEM. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING JUNE 2007. OWNERS MAY CONTACT GILLIG AT 1-510-785-1500.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).


Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, 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).

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 contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at Patricia.wallace@dot.gov, Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,


for George H. Person, Chief
Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement