



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

*April 2, 2008*

MR. PETER CERANTOLA  
AFTER SALES SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE  
NOVA BUS INCORPORATED  
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QUEBEC CANADA J7R 5A5

NVS-215dgl  
08V-150

Subject: FUEL SYSTEM/CUMMINS

Dear MR. CERANTOLA:

This letter serves to acknowledge Nova Bus Incorporated's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect in the products described below, for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30119.

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:**

NOVABUS/LFS/2003-2006

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 08V-150

**Mfg's Report Date:** February 15, 2008

**Components:** ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 19

**Summary:**

NOVA BUS IS RECALLING 19 MY 2003-2006 LFS TRANSIT BUSES BUILT WITH CUMMINS ISL ENGINES WHICH WERE EQUIPED WITH CM850 FUEL SYSTEMS. THE ENGINE HIGH PRESSURE FUEL LINES FROM THE ENGINE HIGH PRESSURE PUMP TO THE ENGINE FUEL RAIL ARE PRONE TO FAILURE. FAILURE TYPICALLY OCCURS AT OR UNDER THE FUEL LINE FITTING ATTACHMENTS.

**Consequence:**

THE INTRODUCTION OF HIGH PRESSURE ATOMIZED FUEL INTO THE ENGINE COMPARTMENT CREATES A RISK OF FIRE DUE TO POSSIBLE IGNITION WHEN THE FUEL VAPOR COMES IN CONTACT WITH HOT SURFACES.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL INSPECT AND REPLACE THE NECESSARY FUEL LINE FITTINGS AND BRACKETS FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING APRIL 2008. OWNERS MAY CONTACT NOVA BUS AT 1-450-472-6410.

**Notes:**

NOVA BUS RECALL NO. CR1219A. 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).

This recall was the subject of an Equipment Query, EQ08-001, conducted by the Office of Defects Investigation.

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

Please provide us with the beginning dates for the build date range of buses affected by this recall.

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](mailto:Patricia.wallace@dot.gov), [Delia.lopez@dot.gov](mailto:Delia.lopez@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Person". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and a long, sweeping underline.

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