



U.S. Department
of Transportation

**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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MR. JEAN FOURNIER
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NOVA BUS
1000 INDUSTRIELBLVD,
STAINTE-EUSTACHE
QUEBEC J7R 5A5

NVS-216kjs
10V-216

SUBJECT: ENGINE SUPPORT BOLTS

DEAR MR. FOURNIER:

This letter serves to acknowledge Nova Bus' notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the vehicles listed below.

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:
NOVA BUS/NOVA LFS/2009

NHTSA Campaign Number: 10V-216 **Mfg's Report Date:** May 6, 2010

Components: ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 3

Summary:

NOVA BUS IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2009 NOVA LFS 40 FT. T-DRIVE TRANSIT BUSES MANUFACTURED FROM JANUARY 26, 2007 THROUGH DECEMBER 14, 2009, EQUIPPED WITH CUMMINS ISL OR ISB ENGINES. THE BOLTS ON THE ENGINE CRADLE WERE NOT TORQUED ACCORDING TO APPROPRIATE SPECIFICATIONS.

Consequence:

THE BOLTS CAN BE WORN PREMATURELY AND BREAK OFF, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

NOVA BUS WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND REPAIR THE BUSES FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING JUNE 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT NOVA BUS AT 1-450-472-6410.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS MAY 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).

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

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. 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 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter in which the campaign was initiated. Thereafter, quarterly reports will be due on or before 30 days after close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5227, by email at Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for the successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,



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