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**DEFECT NOTIFICATION (Part 577)
NHTSA REF # 10V-132 (NOVA BUS)**

Dear Mr. West

This Defect Notification is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Nova Bus has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Nova LFS T-Drive buses equipped with a roof mounted radiator.

On vehicles that are targeted by this recall campaign, an incorrect type of o-ring may have been installed on the inlet, outlet and return hydraulic tubes of the radiator circuit. The o-rings presently installed may be unsuitable for this type of application and may rapidly deteriorate. In the event of a deterioration of these o-rings, the seal is no longer secure and there is a possibility that leaking or seepage of hydraulic oil may occur. Such an occurrence could cause serious damage to a vehicle, and the driver and passengers of that vehicle could ultimately be exposed to the risk of fire.

Vehicles targeted by this notification can be identified by their vehicle identification number (VIN). A list of the targeted VINs is annexed at the end of this document.

On these vehicles, Nova Bus proposes to replace the defective o-rings with new Viton o-rings produced for this type of application. The labor time necessary to perform this procedure is approximately 3 hours. The replacement procedure is included in document CR1461A. This document will shortly be available to you on our Internet site by accessing our [On-line Services](#). The necessary replacement parts are available via Nova Bus' parts distribution network. Nova Bus will assume the entire costs of the parts, and the cost of labour will be reimbursed according to warranty conditions in effect.

If you have any questions regarding the requirements of this campaign, please contact your local Nova Bus after-sales service representative.

After contacting your service representative, if you are still not able to have a safety defect remedied without charge and within reasonable time, you may wish to write the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590, or call 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153), or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

Sincerely,

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