



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Ms. Betsy Hershberger
Warranty/Service
ARBOC Specialty Vehicles, LLC
51165 Greenfield Parkway
Middlebury, IN 46540

NVS-215KS
14V-661

Subject: Undersized Wire To Fuel Pump Supply

Dear Ms. Hershberger:

This letter serves to acknowledge ARBOC Specialty Vehicles, LLC's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) 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:

ARBOC/SPIRIT OF FREEDOM/2009-2014
ARBOC/SPIRIT OF MOBILITY/2009-2014

Mfr's Report Date: October 21, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V-661

Components:

FUEL SYSTEM, GASOLINE:DELIVERY:FUEL PUMP

Potential Number of Units Affected: 280

Problem Description:

ARBOC Specialty Vehicles, LLC (ARBOC) is recalling certain model year 2009-2014 Spirit of Mobility transit buses, models 191WB and 210WB, and Spirit of Freedom transit buses, models 191WB and 210WB, manufactured September 24, 2008, to March 27, 2014. The affected vehicles were built with an undersized wire to the fuel pump supply circuit.

Consequence:

The undersized wire may cause the fuel pump to not function, resulting in a vehicle stall, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

ARBOC will notify owners, and dealers will replace the affected harness, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in December 2014. Owners may contact ARBOC customer service at 1-866-953-5555. ARBOC's number for this recall is TSB1401.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

Please 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 required in Part 573.6(c)(6), in the case of a defect, please amend your chronology to include the dates of receipt of all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect. Please provide this information as soon as possible.

The information in your report suggests that ARBOC may have been aware of this issue more than five business days before filing a report with NHTSA. Please be reminded that under Federal law, this agency is to be notified of all safety defect and/or noncompliance decisions within five business days. 49 CFR 573.6 Significant civil penalties can be assessed for this violation.

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 contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement