



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

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Mr. Tim Lafon
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Prevost Cars, Inc.
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NVS-215KS
14V-771

Subject: Pressure Relief Valve Failure

Dear Mr. Lafon:

This letter serves to acknowledge Prevost Cars, Inc.'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:

PREVOST/X3/2009-2011
PREVOST/XL2/2009-2011

Mfr's Report Date: December 3, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V-771

Components:

ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING:ENGINE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 80

Problem Description:

Prevost Cars, Inc.(Prevost) is recalling certain model year 2009-2011 XL2, XL2 Shells, X3 Shell Converted Coaches, and X3 motorcoaches manufactured January 1, 2009, to December 31, 2011, and equipped with an automatic fire suppression system (AFSS) pressure tank in the engine compartment. The tank's pressure relief valve may not withstand the temperatures in the engine compartment, resulting in the venting of the extinguishing agent.

Consequence:

If the event of a fire, if the pressure tank has previously vented, the system would not be functional to help extinguish the fire, increasing the risk of injury.

Remedy:

Prevost will notify owners, and dealers will relocate the tank, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin February 2, 2015. Owners may contact Prevost customer service at 1-877-773-8678. Prevost's number for this recall is SR15-01.

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 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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