



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Ronald Laviccott
Director of Chassis Engineering
Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc.
27855 James Chapel Rd.
Holden, LA 70744

NVS-215KS
14V-801

Subject: Fuel Filter Shell may Separate and Cause Stall

Dear Mr. Laviccott:

This letter serves to acknowledge Ferrara Fire Apparatus, 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:

FERRARA/FIRE CUSTOM/2014

Mfr's Report Date: December 16, 2014

NHTSA Campaign Number: 14V-801

Components:

FUEL SYSTEM, DIESEL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 12

Problem Description:

Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc. (Ferrara) is recalling certain model year 2014 Ferrara Fire Custom trucks manufactured from August 1, 2014, to September 30, 2014. The Cummins ISB or ISL engines in these vehicles may have been equipped with Fleetguard UFF-XT fuel filters, part number FF63009, whose filter shell may separate from the fuel filter nut plate causing the engine to stall without warning.

Consequence:

If the engine stalls unexpectedly there is an increased risk of a crash.

Remedy:

All of the affected vehicles have been repaired, therefore, a recall notification notice will not be issued for this campaign. Owners may contact Ferrara at 1-800-443-9006 or Cummins customer service at 1-800-223-4583. Cummins' number for this recall is C1545.

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:

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).

The information in your report suggests that Ferrara 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,

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

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