



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

February 20, 2015

Mr. Tim LaFon
Nova Bus
1000 Industriel Blvd.
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NVS-215KS
15V-079

Subject: Damaged Crimping Rings on Air Brake Hoses

Dear Mr. LaFon:

This letter serves to acknowledge Nova Bus'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:
NOVA BUS/NOVA LFS/2009

Mfr's Report Date: February 4, 2015

NHTSA Campaign Number: 15V-079

Components:
SERVICE BRAKES, AIR:SUPPLY:HOSES, LINES/PIPING, AND FITTINGS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 5

Problem Description:

Nova Bus (Nova) is recalling certain model year 2009 LFS transit buses manufactured January 1, 2009, to December 31, 2009. In the affected buses, the brake hose fitting crimping ring may have been damaged and, as a result, the crimping ring may fail where the brake hose attaches to the air brake chamber.

Consequence:

Failure of the crimping rings may affect the braking performance, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Nova has notified owners, and dealers inspected and replaced the damaged fittings, as necessary, free of charge. Owners may contact Nova customer service at 1-450-472-6410. Nova's number for this recall is CR1430.

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 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. If all vehicles have been remedied, please submit one report stating a one hundred percent recall completion rate.

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