

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

February 9, 2023

Mr. Sylvain Claude Regulatory Affairs Manager Nova Bus (US) Inc. 1000 Industriel Blvd St-Eustache J7R 5A5 NEF-107MR 23V-054

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Power Steering Hose May Detach

Dear Mr. Claude:

This letter serves to acknowledge Nova Bus (US) 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:

NOVA BUS/LFS/2022

Mfr's Report Date: February 6, 2023

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V-054

Components:

STEERING: HYDRAULIC POWER ASSIST: HOSE, PIPING, AND CONNECTIONS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 17

Problem Description:

Nova Bus (US) Inc. (Nova) is recalling certain 2022 LFS transit buses. During assembly, the power steering hose may not have been assembled correctly, which can result in hose detachment and a loss of power steering assist.

Consequence:

Sudden loss of power steering assist can increase the risk of a crash.

Remedy

Nova Bus will inspect and replace the power steering hoses, as necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed February 28, 2023. Owners may contact Nova customer service at 1-800-350-6682. Nova's numbers for this recall are CR5374 and CR5375.

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.nhtsa.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).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of eight 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.

Nova Bus (US) Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement

