

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

May 15, 2019

Mr. Justin Frost General Manager SNF, Inc. dba BFX Fire Apparatus 1810 Banks Drive Weatherford, TX 76087

19V-232

NEF-150MR

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Brake Light may Randomly Illuminate

Dear Mr. Frost:

This letter serves to acknowledge SNF, Inc. dba BFX Fire Apparatus'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:

BFX FIRE APPARATUS/BRUSH TRUCK/2017-2018

Mfr's Report Date: March 25, 2019

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19V-232

Components:

EXTERIOR LIGHTING: BRAKE LIGHTS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 55

Problem Description:

SNF, Inc. dba BFX Fire Apparatus (BFX) is recalling certain 2017-2018 Brush Trucks equipped with Whelen brake lights recalled under 18E-063. Depending on the specific wiring of the vehicle, these brake lights may illuminate when the brake pedal has not been pressed.

Consequence:

If the brake lights incorrectly illuminate, it can confuse other drivers, possibly increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

BFX has notified the affected owners and will replace the Whelen lights. Owners may contact BFX Fire Apparatus customer service at 1-877-347-3011.

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 update your Defect Information report filing to identify the vehicles as Brush Trucks.

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 Michelle Rice who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-1060, or by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Kareem Habib

Acting Chief, Recall Management Division

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