



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

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NEF-150MR  
20V-239

**Subject:** Pressure Relief Devices May Not Vent/FMVSS 304

Dear Mr. Vismara:

This letter serves to acknowledge Gillig LLC'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:**

GILLIG/LOW FLOOR/2018-2020

**Mfr's Report Date:** April 29, 2020

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 20V-239

**Components:**

FUEL SYSTEM, OTHER:STORAGE:TANK ASSEMBLY:PRESSURE RELIEF DEVICES

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 275

**Problem Description:**

Gillig LLC (Gillig) is recalling certain 2018-2020 Low Floor transit buses powered by compressed natural gas (CNG). The thermally activated pressure relief device (PRD) installed on the CNG fuel system may not vent the system when exposed to heat, potentially resulting in the system rupturing.

**Consequence:**

If the fuel system ruptures from exposure to heat, there may be an increased risk of injury.

**Remedy:**

Gillig will work with Agility to notify customers and replace the PRDs, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact Agility customer service at 1-949-267-7745 or Gillig customer service at 1-800-735-1500.

**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](http://www.safercar.gov).

NHTSA is missing critical, required information for this safety recall. This information must be supplied through the NHTSA Recalls Portal within 5 working days of confirming its accuracy:

- A description of the manufacturer's program for remedying the defect or noncompliance (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(8)(i)). Please clarify which company, Gillig or Agility, will be submitting the required quarterly recall completion rate reports.

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 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,



Joshua Neff  
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Office of Defects Investigations  
Enforcement