#### OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 21V-640

**Manufacturer Name:** Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc.

NHTSA Recall No.: 21V-640

Manufacturer Recall No.: NR



#### **Manufacturer Information:**

Manufacturer Name: Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc.

Address: 27855 James Chapel Road

PO Box 249 Holden LA 70744

Company phone: 800-443-9006

# **Population:**

Number of potentially involved: 1 Estimated percentage with defect: 100 %

#### **Vehicle Information:**

Vehicle 1: 2020-2020 Ferrara iNFERNO, IGNITER Vehicle Type: BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style: OTHER Power Train: DIESEL

Descriptive Information: THE ONE CASE WE HAVE WAS AN AFTER MARKET PARTS SALE.

Production Dates: APR 07, 2020 - NOV 14, 2020

#### **Description of Defect:**

Description of the Defect: V-MUX Products manufactured from April 24 – Oct. 12, 2020 are more

susceptible to low voltage spikes that are beyond the advertised voltage specifications for the product. Product within the date range may experience

'lock up' condition where the LCD display or the entire unit may be

nonfunctional until the power is reset. The potential for the condition and the

functions connected to the display varies due to variation in electrical installation but may include back up camera, emergency warning lights, or

patient care devices depending on the application.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: Operator of vehicle may not be able to read the LCD screen and may not be

able to use buttons or both unless they reset the power. If the LCD display appears blank, emergency personnel may not have immediate access to the functions and controls operated by the LCD screen which could delay

emergency operations.

Description of the Cause: Low voltage spikes beyond the specified voltage range for the product typically

cause the product to restart. In some cases, the product is not restarting successfully. Component obsolescence required a design update and the

product in the date range while meeting advertised specifications, is more susceptible to negative voltage spikes than previous version of the same product.

Vehicle design and installation wiring practices impact the negative voltage spike so there is expected variation between vehicle manufacturers and different applications from the same manufacturer.

that can Occur:

Identification of Any Warning No warnings may precede the occurrence

#### **Involved Components:**

Component Name 1: Weldon V-Mux Vista IV Standard

Component Description: Weldon V-Mux Display

Component Part Number: 6241-0010-00

#### **Supplier Identification:**

#### **Component Manufacturer**

Name: Weldon

Address: 3656 Paragon Drive

Columbus Ohio 43228

**Country: United States** 

## **Chronology:**

On August 17, 2020, Weldon's engineering division received a report from a customer that an individual vehicle had an VistaIV display unit installed in a vehicle that was not operating as intended and the display screen was blank. Weldon conducted a site visit to inspect the unit and began to conduct further evaluation. At the end of August 2020, Weldon was able to replicate the condition reported by the customer. Further analysis took place through mid-September and indicated that a negative electrical spike that occurred at vehicle start up contributed to the condition and Weldon had resolved the issue for the individual vehicle. It was believed that the condition was due to the replacement of a obsolete component and the details of vehicle wiring. Weldon accounted for this possibility in updating product in its inventory. In late September, the customer reported a second vehicle that experienced the same issue with the Vista IV display unit. Weldon examined the unit and in October 2020, found a different underlying issue contributed to the LCD screen on the VistaIV display unit going blank. In all cases, the screen would reset with a power cycle/restart. On October 13, 2020, Weldon decided to conduct a recall to address the units in the field.

Ferrara was informed of this determined to proceed with a recall on November 30, 2020.

### **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: Replace or apply retrofit remedy as a factory recall. Owner/Dealer should

take a photo of the revision decal, with the serial number, located on the Vista display. Contact Ferrara Customer Service at 225-567-7100, ensure that you have the truck's S.O Number or VIN available. Ferrara will verify if the unit is affected by the Recall. Ferrara will provide a new Vista display and compensate the dealer or owner for installing the new components

provided free of charge.

It will take approximately one (1) manhour to replace each display. Some

vehicles have two (2) to three (3) displays.

How Remedy Component Differs A revision decal on the display identifies the remedy component from the from Recalled Component: recalled component. Units outside of the recall scope use a different design

configuration and are not as susceptible to voltage drops outside the

advertised operating range.

was Corrected in Production: manufacturer

Identify How/When Recall Condition Production shipments placed on hold until a new unit is supplied by the

#### **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: 1) Email dealers a copy of the recall approximately 1 week before

customers.

2) Mail customers the recall

Planned Dealer Notification Date: AUG 30, 2021 - SEP 06, 2021

Planned Owner Notification Date: SEP 09, 2021 - SEP 13, 2021

\* NR - Not Reported