OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

## 24V-958

Manufacturer Name: Gillig, LLC
Submission Date: DEC 20, 2024
NHTSA Recall No.: 24V-958



#### **Manufacturer Information:**

Manufacturer Name: Gillig, LLC

Manufacturer Recall No.: NR

Address: 451 Discovery Drive

LIVERMORE CA 94551

Company phone: 1-800-735-1500

## **Population:**

Number of potentially involved : 201 Estimated percentage with defect : 100%

#### **Vehicle Information:**

Vehicle 1: 2021-2024 GILLIG Low Floor

Vehicle Type: BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style: OTHER Power Train: CNG/LPG

Descriptive Information: GILLIG is recalling a limited bus population due to possible fire suppression relay

failures.

Production Dates: AUG 20, 2021 - JAN 05, 2024

VIN Range 1: Begin: 15GGD3110M3196739 End: 15GGD3110M3199666 ✓ Not sequential

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

Description of the Defect: GILLIG has determined that the Gigavac 500 Amp bi-stable relay installed

inside the rear engine compartment of the vehicle, may experience a failure due to mechanical interference with the adjacent mounting bolt. As a result, GILLIG has decided to voluntarily initiate a safety recall campaign of the vehicle

population that may be affected by the issue.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: Friction fit between the relay body and the mounting bolt may cause damage

of the relay insulation sleeve, with possible thermal event and elevated risk of

vehicle fire.

Description of the Cause: NR

Identification of Any Warning GILLIG is not aware of any early warning.

that can Occur:

## **Involved Components:**

Component Name 1: relay cable

Component Description: Power cable to fire suppression relay

Component Part Number: Part# 50-37201-011S

## **Supplier Identification:**

#### **Component Manufacturer**

Name: NR

Address: NR

NR

Country: NR

### **Chronology:**

10/28/2024 GILLIG Service opened a case file due to a relay failure observed on a customer vehicle.

11/01/2024 An onsite field inspection of the fleet potentially affected (limited to one customer), reported no signs of electrical short and a 100% pass rate.

During the month of November, an investigation was launched to understand the nature of the issue and the failed parts

were received by GILLIG to initiate failure analysis.

12/04/2024 After an additional on-site inspection, the root cause was identified as the power cable Part# 50-37201-011S

being too short and therefore causing a tight bend on the cable positive terminal. This condition causes friction

the relay mounting bolt and the insulation sleeve of the relay.

12/13/2024 GILLIG completed population analysis and identified a total of 201 vehicles in the field that will need to be

recalled for repair. There is only one customer affected.

12/16/2024 GILLIG's Safety Committee decided to file a formal Safety recall with NHTSA.

## **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: All vehicle owners involved will be notified of the recall and all affected vehicles will be corrected at no cost to the customer. The corrective action consists of a newly designed relay power cable. Pursuant to 49 CFR 577.11 (e), Gillig requests to be exempted from providing a pre-notification reimbursement plan. Pre-notification product failures would have been addressed under the terms of Gillig's warranty.

How Remedy Component Differs The corrective action consists of a longer relay power cable, part#

from Recalled Component: 50-37209-009S that will substitute the current part# 50-37201-009S.

Identify How/When Recall Condition Last affected bus was built on 1/5/2024. Any future vehicle manufactured

was Corrected in Production: for this specific customer will incorporate the cable updates.

#### **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: Recall notices will be sent as soon as NHTSA approves the draft letter.

GILLIG does not have a dealer network. Therefore, dealer notification is

not required for this recall.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : FEB 01, 2025 - FEB 01, 2025 Planned Owner Notification Date : FEB 01, 2025 - FEB 01, 2025

<sup>\*</sup> NR - Not Reported