

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 18V-519

**Manufacturer Name :** Garden State Bus Group

**Submission Date :** AUG 06, 2018

**NHTSA Recall No. :** 18V-519

**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR



## Manufacturer Information :

## Population :

**Manufacturer Name :** Garden State Bus Group

**Address :** 1000 STANLEY AVENUE

BROOKLYN NY 11208

**Company phone :** 888-800-3779

**Number of potentially involved :** 20

**Estimated percentage with defect :** 100 %

## Vehicle Information :

**Vehicle 1 :** 2015-2015 Garden State Bus Group Double Deck Bus

**Vehicle Type :** BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

**Body Style :** OTHER

**Power Train :** DIESEL

**Descriptive Information :** FMVSS requires the roof exit to be in the rear of the passenger compartment, ours is incorrectly located towards the center of the passenger compartment.

**Production Dates :** JAN 01, 2015 - DEC 31, 2015

**VIN Range 1 : Begin :** 1G9GD2213F1506001 **End :** 1G9GD221XF0506020  Not sequential

## Description of Noncompliance :

**Description of the Noncompliance :** FMVSS requires the roof exit to be in the rear of the passenger compartment, ours is located towards the center of the passenger compartment.

**FMVSS 1 :** 217 - Bus emergency exits and window retention and release

**FMVSS 2 :** NR

**Description of the Safety Risk :** Different Exit route if vehicle is on it's side. Instead of going to the rear of the vehicle to find the emergency roof exit the buses currently have the exit near the center of the lower deck.

**Description of the Cause :** NR

**Identification of Any Warning that can Occur :** NR

## Supplier Identification :

**Component Manufacturer**

Name : NR  
Address : NR  
NR  
Country : NR

**Chronology :**

July 25, 2018 received phone call from NHTSA asking how we complied with FMVSS 217, specifically about roof hatches after the NHTSA received an inquiry from the Nevada DOT. We described our roof exit, and how the regulation was read. Found portion of regulation specifying center of passenger cabin was for school buses and our bus required the roof exit to be in the rear of the vehicle.

**Description of Remedy :**

Description of Remedy Program : Remedy will be to install a hatch in the rear portion of the lower level that can be opened to the upper level.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : Solution will be an additional exit hatch added to bring vehicle into compliance with FMVSS 217.

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : Product was a limited run, and discontinued. Recall covers all produced vehicles.

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : All of the vehicles were produced for a single customer who has gone out of business. We do not have contact information for who may have the vehicles now.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NR - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date : NR - NR

\* NR - Not Reported