

Cary's New Engine 8

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Factory photo of Cary's new Engine 8, a 2015 Pierce Velocity pumper. Arrived this week at Atlantic Emergency Solutions in Fayetteville. Readers can provide details such as specs and the make/model/year of truck that it's replacing. (And any other CFD updates.) [See larger versions.](#)



Is there anyone in the area NOT buying Pierce?

AJ Feeley - 09/19/15 - 09:48

Durham buys Sutphen...

Chapel Hill has bought KME and Ferrara...

Rosenbauer is making inroads in some departments, here and there...

Legeros - 09/19/15 - 10:34

Can't wait to see the NEW engine spec after this one.

Silver - 09/19/15 - 17:35

Do Cary's Pierces break down as much as Raleigh's?? Are those PUC trucks better engineered?

Bob - 09/19/15 - 23:49

I wouldn't be surprised to see some fire departments move away from Pierce if their quality doesn't improve. I think Pierce has gotten too big too quickly and they are experiencing some issues with quality assurance on the reliability of their products.

Bobby Tecert - 09/20/15 - 10:12

I would be interested to know the differences in responses and maintenance between various departments (e.g. Cary and Raleigh). Experience indicates that mechanical issues are more a product of usage and maintenance... and not so much the design (nowadays). Also, I don't think anyone around Wake Co. has any Pierce PUC's(?).

A.C. Rich - 09/20/15 - 16:14

Great looking truck. Chapel Hill has a Pierce currently on order. Wake Forest has a Rosenbauer that has been on order for a long, long time. As far as departments moving away from Pierce, look at the recent FAMA numbers.

Firetruckguru - 09/20/15 - 18:32

Short of any electrical gremlins, any problems a truck might have most likely isn't a Pierce issue. An example is the steering gear exploding on the Squads and also on E1 & E13. Not sure if other trucks that may have had the same issue. Pierce doesn't make the steering gear. Most likely other fire truck manufacturers use the same supplier which will subsequently lead to the same problem with those rigs and will have the firefighters riding those rigs asking the same question.

Rescue Ranger - 09/20/15 - 21:34

@Bob Apex runs a rig similar to the PUC design, but it's an E-One. Same for Holly Springs, but it's a Spartan. Any guys from AFD or HSF, how do you guys like those rigs? Don't know much about them, and would love to hear the feedback.

Silver - 09/20/15 - 22:57

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