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Mr. George Person
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, S. W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

December 18, 2003

Subject: Safety Recall 03307 (NHTSA N/A)

Dear Sir:

December 18, 2003, IC Corporation declared that a noncompliant defect may exist in the motor vehicles listed on sheet two of this report, and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance Reports.

Attached is a vehicle defect information report, which is submitted pursuant to Parts 573.5, 151 (1), and 153 (1-6) of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

The undersigned should be contacted for any additional information regarding this recall.

Very truly yours,

IC CORPORATION


Robert L. Douglas
Director of Product Integrity

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IC Corporation
RECALL NO 03307

NHTSA 04V-012

VEHICLE REVISED DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT: Commercial buses were built non-compliant to FMVSS 217 Emergency Exit requirements. The units were built between November 3, 1997 and October 20, 2003. During an emergency situation, this defect may prevent passengers from exiting the bus, which could cause personal injury or death.

CHRONOLOGY OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS, WHICH LED TO DETERMINATION OF DEFECT:
November 25, 2003: Dealer notified IC that New Jersey DOT rejected 10 new buses being delivered stating that the side emergency exit window opening did not meet the requirements of FMVSS 217. The supplier of the window, Hehr International Inc., was notified the same day. A few days later Hehr confirmed that the supplied windows were none compliant.
December 3, 2003: Notified dealer with information to repair defective units.
December 18, 2003: Our Compliance Committee declared this defect a non-compliant/safety recall.

MEASURES TO BE TAKEN TO REPAIR VEHICLE: Defective units are in the process of having the windows replaced with compliant windows by Hehr free of charge.

REMEDY EXPENSE: There will be no expense to the customer to repair this defect. IC knows that none of these units had been repaired for this defect prior to this notice.

EARLIEST DATE DEFECT TO BE REMEDIED: New windows will be available December 18, 2003. Actual start date for replacement will start December 18, 2003.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: There will be no public announcement.

OWNER LETTER AND TECHNICAL LETTER: Due to the small quantity of units affected, no letters will be issued since the customer and dealers are being notified of the defect and repairs are in the process of being scheduled.

**VEHICLE DEFECT
INFORMATION REPORT**

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MAKE	MODELS	MODEL YEAR	NUMBER OF VEHICLES	MANUFACTURING DATES		OTHER IDENTIFICATION NECESSARY TO DESCRIBE VEHICLE
				FROM	THROUGH	
American Transportation	RE	1998	10	11/3/1997	11/25/1997	Commercial Bus with T-Slide Oval Windows
American Transportation	RE	1999	10	10/15/1998	11/5/1998	Commercial Bus with T-Slide Oval Windows
American Transportation	RE	2002	1	1/29/2002	1/29/2002	Commercial Bus with T-Slide Oval Windows
American Transportation and IC Corporation	RE	2003	17	7/26/2002	1/22/2003	Commercial Bus with T-Slide Oval Windows
IC Corporation	RE	2004	13	3/20/2003	7/24/2003	Commercial Bus with T-Slide Oval Windows
IC Corporation	FE	2004	1	10/20/2003	10/20/2003	Commercial Bus with T-Slide Oval Windows

Total Number of Vehicles:

52

Percent Potentially Containing Defect: 100%