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"Contact Name"

"Customer Name"

"Customer Address"

Re: Safety Recall 04V-042 - New Flyer D60HF Center Axle Park Brake Release

Dear **"Contact Name"**,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

New Flyer has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain New Flyer transit vehicles. Further investigation in conjunction with the axle manufacture, Arvin Meritor, has revealed that the following vehicles, operated by **"Customer Name"**, are affected:

Make: New Flyer Transit Vehicle

Model: D60HF

VIN Range (last 6 digits): **"VIN range"**

The subject vehicle model has had several occurrences where the center axle brakes did not release after being parked for an extended period of time due to iron oxide welding of the brake linings to the brake drum, this resulted in the center axle wheels being dragged during the initial attempt to move the bus.

The failure of the center axle brake(s) to release may result in loss of control while cornering, with a potential for injury to personnel or property damage. These incidents have only occurred at the depot level. There have been three reported incidents which resulted in property damage.

The corrective action for this recall has been changed from a complex warning system to a simple component replacement.

New Flyer has approved the installation of long stroke brake chambers and improved brake drums (New Flyer P.N. 6327402NFA3) on the center axle, which have received a specialized treatment process to prevent the brake lining to drum adhesion issue.

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The implementation of this corrective action will commence once sufficient quantities of the required components have been secured. New Flyer urges you to contact either your Regional Product Support Manager, "**RPSM**" or New Flyer Customer Services for information regarding implementation of this resolution.

If you no longer own this vehicle, please inform us when you call. Federal regulations require that any entity receiving this notice which leases vehicles involved in the recall, must forward a copy of this notice to the leaser within ten days.

This recall is being managed by New Flyer and all labor associated with this corrective action is to be filed as a Warranty Claim to the New Flyer Warranty Department. If you had this corrective action performed before you received this letter, you may be eligible to receive reimbursement for the cost of obtaining a pre-notification remedy of the problem associated with this recall.

If we fail, or we are unable to remedy this defect without charge and, within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to:

Administrator
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, SW
Washington, DC, 20590

or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153);

or go to: <http://www.safercar.gov> .

We regret any inconvenience which this action may cause you. However, we are concerned about your safety. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Kerry Legg
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cc: "**RPSM**", Hans Peper, Cliff Murray, Alan Farrant, Don Bean,
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Attachment: New Flyer Instruction to Service ITS3467