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NVS-215  
05V-107

Subject: POWER STEERING PRESSURE HOSE

Dear MS. COTE:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect or noncompliance information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records, as this is the information that will be made available to the public.

**Makes/Models/Model Years:**

PREVOST/H3-41/2002-2005  
PREVOST/H3-45/2002-2005  
PREVOST/H3-45 VIP ENTERTAINER/2002-2004  
PREVOST/XLII-45 COACHES/2001-2005  
PREVOST/XLII-45 ENTERTAINER/2001-2005

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 05V-107

**Recall Date:** March 9, 2005

**Components:**

STEERING:HYDRAULIC POWER ASSIST:HOSE, PIPING, AND CONNECTIONS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 943

**Summary:**

ON CERTAIN TRANSIT BUSES, THE POWER STEERING HOSE CAN RUB IN THE ENGINE COMPARTMENT AND IN THE SPARE TIRE COMPARTMENT WHICH WILL CAUSE A POWER STEERING HOSE BREAK DOWN.

**Consequence:**

LOSS OF STEERING CONTROL CAN CAUSE A VEHICLE CRASH WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL INSPECT THE HOSES AND REPLACE THEM IF THERE IS EVIDENCE OF WEAR. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON MARCH 30, 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT PREVOST AT 418-831-5432.

**Notes:**

PREVOST RECALL NO. SR05-07. CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S AUTO SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236.

This recall was the subject of an investigation, PE-05-012, conducted by the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance.

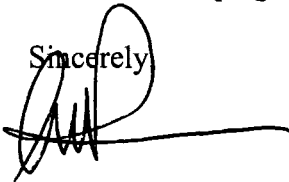
Please provide us with the beginning and ending dates for the build date range [of vehicles] affected by this recall.

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. As stated in your report, owner notification is expected to begin on March 30, 2005. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by July 30, 2005.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at [patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov](mailto:patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov) or [delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov](mailto:delia.lopez@nhtsa.dot.gov). We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely



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Chief, Recall Management Division