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of Transportation

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Washington, DC 20590

**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

*August 29, 2005*

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NVS-215  
05V-370

Subject: HYDRAULIC FAN MOTOR FLANGE FITTING ASSEMBLY

Dear MR. LEGG:

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:**

NEW FLYER/C30LF/2004-2005  
NEW FLYER/C40LF/2004-2005  
NEW FLYER/D30LF/2004-2005  
NEW FLYER/D35LF/2004-2005  
NEW FLYER/D40I/2004-2005  
NEW FLYER/D40LF/2004-2005  
NEW FLYER/L40LF/2004-2005

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 05V-370

**Recall Date:** August 24, 2005

**Components:**

ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING:COOLING SYSTEM:FAN

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 665

**Summary:**

ON CERTAIN TRANSIT BUSES, HYDRAULIC FLUID CAN LEAK AT THE FLANGE FITTING DUE TO IMPROPER INSTALLATION PROCEDURES. INCORRECT INSTALLATION PROCEDURES MAY CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE O-RING OF THE FLANGE ASSEMBLY, COMPROMISING THE SEALING CAPABILITY OF THE O-RING.

**Consequence:**

LEAKS DUE TO DAMAGED O-RINGS COULD CAUSE HYDRAULIC FLUID TO BE SPRAYED ONTO HOT SURFACES AND IGNITE.

**Remedy:**

NEW FLYER WILL CONTACT CUSTOMERS WITH PARTS AND INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO COMPLETE THIS RECALL. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING LATE AUGUST/EARLY SEPTEMBER 2005. OWNERS SHOULD CONTACT NEW FLYER AT 204-934-4874.

**Notes:**

CUSTOMERS CAN ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

Effective October 21, 2004, a manufacturer must provide an estimated dealer notification date as well as an owner notification date (month/day/year) when submitting a defect/noncompliance report (Part 573.6).

We have reviewed your proposed owner letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577.

Regulations require manufacturers conducting safety recalls to include the NHTSA Vehicle Safety Hotline phone number in their notification letters to owners [49 CFR 577.5(g)(1)(vii)]. That phone number has changed, and in a technical amendment to the regulation published in the June 21, 2005 Federal Register [70 FR 35556] manufacturers' owner letters must contain the new phone number and the NHTSA's web address. Accordingly, beginning July 21, 2005, please revise your owner letters to include the following statement. "A statement informing the owner that he or she may submit a complaint to the 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>, if the owner believes that ...*"

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 during late August/early September 2005. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due by October 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,

*Patricia Wallace*

*for* George H. Person  
Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement