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DEFECT INVESTIGATION

Subject: Vehicle Safety Defect Initial Information Report

Pursuant to Part 573.6 (c) (1), this Vehicle Safety Defect Initial Information Report is submitted to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration by **IC Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of International Truck and Engine Corporation.**

(1) IDENTIFICATION OF VEHICLES [Part 573.6 (c)(2)]

- Vehicle Models Involved:
 - PB105 (CESB): 2005, 2006, 2007 Model Years
 - PC105 (CECB): 2005, 2006, 2007 Model Years
 - PB405 (BESB): 2007 Model Year
- Vehicle Manufacturing Dates:
 - 2/10/2004 to 12/15/2005
- Other Identification Necessary to Describe Vehicles:
 - Having Manual Door Control: Feature Codes 0047DAC & 0047DAD

(2) COMPONENT MANUFACTURER [Part 573.6 (c)(2)(iv)]

- This report does not relate to a component supplied by a manufacturer other than International Truck and Engine Corporation.

(3) VEHICLE POPULATION INVOLVED [Part 573.6 (c)(3)]

<i>Model</i>	<i>U.S. Quantity</i>	<i>Canadian Quantity</i>	<i>Totals</i>
PB105	1896	0	1896
PC105	21	13	34
PB405	1	0	1
Grand Totals	1918	13	1931

(4) PERCENTAGE OF VEHICLES ESTIMATED TO CONTAIN DEFECT [Part 573.6 (c)(4)]

- All of the vehicles in the suspect population will contain the defect.

(5) *DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT [Part 573.6 (c)(5)]*

- The door control bracket for the door control arm does not meet the NHTSA handbook for door entrance and handrail design. Failure to meet the specification can result in passenger coat strings to getting caught as the passenger exits the bus, which could result in death or personal injury.

(6) *CHRONOLOGY OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS WHICH LED TO DETERMINATION OF A SAFETY DEFECT or TEST RESULTS THAT LED TO DETERMINATION OF NONCOMPLIANCE [Part 573.6 (c)(6)/(7)]*

- 12/01/2005 International receives notification from Ohio State Highway Patrol that a new bus failed an inspection due to the bar assembly that attaches to the door.
- 12/02/2005 International begins process to redesign bracket to eliminate potential snag point.
- 12/06/2005 International places units in lot on hold to ensure repair is made prior to shipping.
- 12/07/2005 Engineering evaluates and approves new design.
- 12/15/2005 International conducts search to determine suspect population.
- 12/16/2005 International declares a Safety Recall.

(7) *PROGRAM TO REMEDY DEFECT [Part 573.6 (c)(8)]*

- All suspect vehicles will be repaired.

(8) *PLAN FOR REIMBURSEMENT [Part 573.6 (c)(8)(i)]*

- All vehicles fall within the warranty period; therefore, our plan for reimbursement of pre-notification remedies, on file and dated 8/30/2005, does not apply.

(9) *SCHEDULE FOR RECALL NOTIFICATION [Part 573.6 (c)(8)(i)]*

- Notify International Dealers by: 2/15/2006
- Notify International Customers by: 2/15/2006

(10) *INTERNATIONAL RECALL NUMBER [Part 573.6 (c)(11)]*

- 05524 (NHTSA number not assigned yet)

The undersigned should be contacted for any additional information regarding this recall on (260) 461-1890.

Very truly yours,



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