



U.S. Department  
of Transportation

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Washington, DC 20590

**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

*August 15, 2006*

ROB FROELICH  
ENGINEERING  
GLAVAL BUS DIVISION  
914 COUNTY ROAD 1 NORTH  
ELKHART IN 46514

NVS-2151  
06V-304

Subject: SEATS INCORRECTLY INSTALLED

Dear MR. FROELICH:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent noncompliance information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

**Makes/Models/Model Years:** To be provided

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 06V-304

**Mfg's Report Date:** August 7, 2006

**Components:** SEATS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 356

**Summary:**

CERTAIN TRANSIT BUSES FAIL TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NO. 210, 'SEAT BELT ASSEMBLY ANCHORAGES.' THE SEATS EQUIPPED WITH SEAT BELTS MAY HAVE BEEN BOLTED TO THE BUS STRUCTURE INCORRECTLY.

**Consequence:**

AN OCCUPANT NOT PROPERLY WEARING A SEAT BELT MAY HAVE AN INCREASED RISK OF INJURY DURING A CRASH.

**Remedy:**

DEALERS WILL INSTALL THE NECESSARY PARTS TO CORRECTLY FASTEN THE SEATS TO THE BUS STRUCTURE FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON AUGUST 18, 2006. OWNERS MAY CONTACT GLAVAL BUS AT 1-800-445-2824.

**Notes:**

CUSTOMERS MAY 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).

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

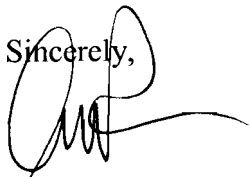
Please provide an estimated dealer notification date (month/day/year) as well as the names of the models involved for this recall.

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 required 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 August 18, 2006. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before October 30, 2006.

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,



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