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 OFFICE OF DEFECTS
 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): Model Years 2005, 2006, 2007
 - IC3S5 (CESB): Model Years 2003, 2004
 - BB385 (3800): Model Year 1998
- Vehicle Manufacturing Dates:
 - 12/23/1997 through 03/21/2006
- Other Identification Necessary to Describe Vehicles:
 - Having left entrance door behind the drivers seat, with feature code 047DBU, 047BHL, 1102600, or G47ANYE

(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	180	0	180
IC3S5	16	0	16
BB385	15	0	15
Grand Totals	211	0	211

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

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

- (5) *DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT [Part 573.6 (c)(5)]*
- The entrance door handrail does not meet the NHTSA handbook for door entrance and handrail design. Failure to meet the specification can result in passenger coat strings 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)]*
- 06/15/2006 International receives notification from Conway Bus Assembly Plant that the handrail on the left side entrance door for the State of New York is not being assembled to print.
 - 06/15/2006 IC implements change in production.
 - 06/15/2006 IC repairs buses already built at bus assembly plants.
 - 07/11/2006 International runs search to determine suspect population.
 - 10/19/2006 International declares a Safety Recall.
- (7) *PROGRAM TO REMEDY DEFECT [Part 573.6 (c)(8)]*
- All suspect vehicles will require the installation of rubber spacers at both ends of the hand rail and reversed bolt heads to eliminate snag points.
- (8) *PLAN FOR REIMBURSEMENT [Part 573.6 (c)(8)(i)]*
- All vehicles do not fall within the warranty period; therefore, our plan for reimbursement of pre-notification remedies, on file and dated 8/30/2005, does apply.
- (9) *SCHEDULE FOR RECALL NOTIFICATION [Part 573.6 (c)(8)(i)]*
- Notify International Dealers by: 11/10/2006
 - Notify International Customers by: 11/17/2006
- (10) *INTERNATIONAL RECALL NUMBER [Part 573.6 (c)(11)]*
- 06510 (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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