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Recall # 06V-374

October 2, 2006

Type of Seats: _____

OFFICE OF EFFECTS
NHTSA (302) 491-1151Adam Services, Inc.
2211 Edgewood Ave. S
St. Louis Park, MN 55426

Body # _____

VIN# _____

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Mid Bus, Inc. of Bluffton, Ohio has decided that certain school buses have failed to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 222, School Bus Passenger Seating and Crash Protection. The bus vehicle identification number shown at the top of this page belongs to the population of school buses containing this defect. Please make sure that VIN corresponds to your school bus.

Reason: Some vehicles with GVWR of 10,000 lbs or less built after January 2002 with Collins Bus 3 passenger seats, Freedman Activity seats or Unistrut track seating with 2 passenger seats, may not have had the correct hardware installed on them. Seats may become partially detached from floor structure, passengers could sustain injuries due to greater deflection of seats. Mid Bus products do not meet the full letter of FMVSS 222. This campaign will assure that the correct hardware anchorage system is on all passenger seats. Your prompt attention to this recall procedure will be necessary for a successful completion of this service program. We urge you to have this service completed on your school bus.

Repairs: Certain three passenger seats have been determined to not have the proper hardware installed on these units. Enclosed with this letter are the detailed procedures for this campaign. Procedures are also available at your Mid Bus dealership. Mid Bus will supply necessary parts at no cost and reimburse you for the allotted time.

How long will it take: Mid Bus suggests you call your closest dealer to arrange a time for this service. A listing of your closest dealer is included in this letter. We are allowing 15 minutes per seat to add the correct hardware to the Collins Bus 3 Passenger seats. We are allowing 30 minutes per seat to add the correct hardware to the Freedman Activity Seat. We are allowing 20 minutes per seats to add the correct hardware to the Unistrut track seats.

Who to contact: To have the service performed, call your Mid Bus dealer that is listed at the bottom of this letter to set up an appointment. Mid Bus is supplying the necessary hardware for this recall and we will get parts to our dealers as soon as we can obtain them. When you call your dealer, be sure to tell them the number of seats in your bus.

We will be glad to work with any school district or contractor who wishes to do their own repairs. All of the steps in this recall are common school bus service procedures that will be readily familiar to you.

**Change of Address
Or Sale of Bus:**

Attached to this letter is a prepaid post card for your use in reporting to us when the service is complete. We must have the card returned prior to authorizing any warranty work payments. If you no longer own your school bus, you can use the post card to let us know. Please indicate an address for the correct owner so we can contact them about this recall. Thank you for your help with these issues. This response will allow us to notify NHTSA that you've completed the recall.

If our dealer cannot provide this service without charge, you may contact Penny Dukes in the warranty and service department by calling 1-877-358-6055 extension 135 or by fax 419-358-0551, or in writing Mid Bus, Inc. 505 East Jefferson Street, Bluffton, OH 45817-1398. By federal law, we are required to notify you that if this service doesn't occur in a timely manner or without charge, you may contact the Administrator, NHTSA at 400 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20590 or call the toll free Vehicle Safety Line at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-1953) or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We regret the inconvenience this campaign may cause you, but we want you to know that this work needs to be done for the safety of the students that you transport. Please respond with this service as soon as you can.

Sincerely,



Paul Kessler
President, Mid Bus

Enclosures

Nearest Mid Bus Dealer: