

**R06KP**

**DATE: MARCH 9, 2006**

**TO: AFFECTED DISTRIBUTORS**

**SUBJECT: RECALL R06KP FMVSS 301 NONCOMPLIANCE-“Fuel System Integrity”**

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

Blue Bird Body Company has decided that certain 2007 model year Blue Bird Micro Bird school buses mounted on Ford chassis manufactured from December 07, 2006 through January 20, 2006 fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 301 “Fuel System Integrity”.

The nonconformance relates to the rear bumper. The rear bumper installed by Blue Bird does not meet Ford’s certification requirements for a 10” bumper as part of the protective steel cage.

Blue Bird is conducting a recall to correct this noncompliance. Buses with the noncompliance must be corrected by removing the original bumper and brackets and replacing it with a 10” rear bumper and brackets which will be provided “No Charge”.

If our records indicate affected units were delivered in your service area, a printout identifying affected units is enclosed. Distributors should verify correct owners and that complete shipping addresses are provided for each listed vehicle.

If you have in your possession or have sold a vehicle that was purchased from another distributor that may be affected by this recall, please notify me at 478-822-2242.

Time required to perform Recall R06KP is 1.5 hours per bus. **Replacement parts are available and will be shipped directly from Canadian Blue Bird in Brantford Ontario.**

Warranty applications may be submitted to Blue Bird VIA ClaimTrac (use create campaign/bulletin claim).

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

Distributors are reminded of their responsibilities under section 154 of The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1991. Dealers are required to complete modifications/repairs on units in their inventory before delivering to the final owner. Reference Blue Bird Body Company Distributor Memo No. 42-92.

Important: Your prompt return of the pink reimbursement sheet, complete with the correct Body Serial Numbers, permits Blue Bird to update the record indicating recall has been completed and prevents the mailing of a second notice. This is much appreciated. We regret any inconvenience this may have caused.

Questions regarding this recall campaign should be directed to me at (478) 822-2242.

Thank you,

Bill Coleman  
Recall Administrator