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Safety Defect and Noncompliance Report Guide for Vehicles
PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report¹

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(7 pages)

On 4 January, 2007, New Flyer decided, based on information provided by Hogan Manufacturing Inc., that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in the motor vehicles listed below, and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Noncompliance Reports.

Date this report was prepared: 8 January 2007

Furnish the manufacturer's identification code for this recall (if applicable): _____

1. Identify the full corporate name of the fabricating manufacturer of the vehicle being recalled. If the recalled vehicle is imported, provide the name and mailing address of the designated agent as prescribed by 49 U.S.C. §30164.

New Flyer Industries Canada ULC
25 DeBaets St., Winnipeg, MB Canada R2J 4G5

Identify the corporate official, by name and title, whom the agency should contact with respect to this recall.

Mr. Kerry Legg
Safety & Compliance Manager
Telephone Number: (204) 934-4876 Fax No.: (204) 224-0248

Name and Title of Person who prepared this report.

Kerry Legg

Signed:

¹Each manufacturer must furnish a report, to the Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance, for each defect or noncompliance condition which relates to motor vehicle safety.

This guide was developed from 49 CFR Part 573, "Defect and Noncompliance Reports" and also outlines information currently requested. Any questions, please consult the complete Part 573 or contact Mr. Jon White at (202) 366-5227 or by FAX at (202) 366-7882.

I. Identify the Vehicle Models Involved in the Recall

2. Identify the Vehicles Involved in the Recall:

Make(s): New Flyer Model Years Involved: 1988-1996 Model(s): D35HF

Production Dates: Beginning: 1988 Ending: 1996

VIN Range: Beginning: 013123 Ending: 016352

Vehicle Type: Transit Bus Body style: Diesel 35 Foot High Floor

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall: Affected Vehicles are equipped with a Lift-U Wheelchair lift.

Make(s): New Flyer Model Years Involved: 1988-1994 Model(s): D40HF

Production Dates: Beginning: 1988 Ending: 1994

VIN Range: Beginning: 013096 Ending: 015474

Vehicle Type: Transit Bus Body style: Diesel 40 Foot High Floor

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall: Affected Vehicles are equipped with a Lift-U Wheelchair lift.

Make(s): New Flyer Model Years Involved: 1995-1997 Model(s): C40HF

Production Dates: Beginning: 1995 Ending: 1997

VIN Range: Beginning: 015977 Ending: 017679

Vehicle Type: Transit Bus Body style: Compressed Natural Gas 40 Foot High Floor

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall: Affected Vehicles are equipped with a Lift-U Wheelchair lift.

Make(s): New Flyer Model Years Involved: 1994 Model(s): L40HF

Production Dates: Beginning: 1994 Ending: 1994

VIN Range: Beginning: 015506 Ending: 015540

Vehicle Type: Transit Bus Body style: Liquid Natural Gas 40 Foot High Floor

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall: Affected Vehicles are equipped with a Lift-U Wheelchair lift.

Make(s): New Flyer Model Years Involved: 1988-1996 Model(s): D60HF

Production Dates: Beginning: 1988 Ending: 1996

VIN Range: Beginning: 013247 Ending: 017022

Vehicle Type: Transit Bus Body style: Diesel 60 Foot High Floor

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall: Affected Vehicles are equipped with a Lift-U Wheelchair lift.

Make(s): New Flyer Model Years Involved: 1992-1993 Model(s): E60HF

Production Dates: Beginning: 1992 Ending: 1993

VIN Range: Beginning: 014528 Ending: 015041

Vehicle Type: Transit Bus Body style: Electric Trolley 60 Foot High Floor

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall: Affected Vehicles are equipped with a Lift-U Wheelchair lift.

Identify the approximate percentage of the production of all the recalled models manufactured by your company between the inclusive dates of manufacture provided above, that the recalled model population represents. 27 %

II. Identify the Recall Population

3. Furnish the total number of vehicles recalled potentially containing the defect or noncompliance.

<u>Model</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of Vehicles Potentially Involved</u>
D35HF	1988-1996'	194
D40HF	1988-1994	752
C40HF	1995-1997	141
L40HF	1994	35
D60HF	1988-1996	239
E60HF	1992-1993	60
Customer Contract Spares	1988-1996	11

Total Number Potentially Affected by the Recall: 1421 (+ 11 Spare Units)

4. Furnish the approximate percentage of the total number of vehicles estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance: 100%

Identify and describe how the recall population was determined--in particular how the recalled models were selected and the basis for the beginning and final dates of manufacture of the recalled vehicles:

High Floor Buses equipped with a Lift U Hydraulic Wheelchair Lift - Refer to 06E-093

III. Describe the Defect or Noncompliance

5. Describe the defect or noncompliance. The description should address the nature and physical location of the defect or noncompliance. Illustrations should be provided as appropriate.

Refer to 06E-093

Describe the cause(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

Refer to 06E-093

Describe the consequence(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

Refer to 06E-093

Identify any warning which can (a) precede or (b) occur.

Refer to 06E-093

If the defect or noncompliance is in a component or assembly purchased from a supplier, identify the supplier by corporate name and address.

Lift U

Division of Hogan Mfg., Inc.

PO BOX 398,

Escalon, CA 95320-0398

Identify the name and title of the chief executive officer or knowledgeable representative of the supplier:

Paul Reichmuth - General Manager

IV. Provide the Chronology in Determining the Defect/Noncompliance

If the recall is for a defect, complete item 6, otherwise item 7.

6. With respect to a defect, furnish a chronological summary (including dates) of all the principle events that were the basis for the determination of the defect. The summary should include, but not be limited to, the number of reports, accidents, injuries, fatalities, and warranty claims.

7. With respect to a noncompliance, identify and provide the test results or other data (in chronological order and including dates) on which the noncompliance was determined.

Refer to 06E-093

V. Identify the Remedy

8. Furnish a description of the manufacturer's remedy for the defect or noncompliance. Clearly describe the differences between the recall condition and the remedy.

Refer to 06E-093

Clearly describe the distinguishing characteristics of the remedy component/assembly versus the recalled component/assembly.

Refer to 06E-093

Identify and describe how and when the recall condition was corrected in production. If the production remedy was identical to the recall remedy in the field, so state. If the product was discontinued, so state.

Refer to 06E-093

VI. Identify the Recall Schedule

Furnish a schedule or agenda (with specific dates) for notification to other manufacturers, dealers/retailers, and purchasers. Please, identify any foreseeable problems with implementing the recall.

Refer to 06E-093

Because of the age of some of the vehicles identified in this recall, they may have been sold or scrapped at this point in time.

VII. Furnish Recall Communications

9. Furnish a final copy of all notices, bulletins, and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and which are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, or purchaser. This includes all communications (including both original and follow-up) concerning this recall from the time your company determines the defect or noncompliance condition on, not just the initial notification. *A DRAFT copy of the notification documents should be submitted to this office by Fax (202-366-7882) for review prior to mailing.*

Note that these documents are to be submitted separately from those provided in accordance with Part 573.8 requirements.