

Safety Defect and Noncompliance Report Guide for Vehicles
PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report³

On MAY 11, ²⁰⁰⁷~~2001~~, U.S. BUS CORPORATION [MFR] decided that (a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety)(a noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 403) 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: MAY 15, 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.

U.S. BUS CORPORATION, 3 PAT MALONE DRIVE SUFFERN, NY 10901

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

MICHAEL A. SYKES, DIRECTOR

WARRANTY AND RECALLS

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Name and Title of Person who prepared this report.

MICHAEL A. SYKES, DIRECTOR

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Signed: _____

³Each 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, for each make and model or applicable vehicle line (provide illustrations or photographs as necessary to describe the vehicle), provide:

Make(s): U.S. BUS CORP. Model Years Involved: 2006, 2007 Model(s): UNIVERSE, STURDIBUS, SAFE TRAIL

Production Dates: Beginning: 8/1/06 Ending: 5/9/07

VIN Range: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

Vehicle Type: School Bus Bodystyle: HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:

VEHICLES INVOLVED ARE EQUIPPED WITH INTERMOTIVE WATERLOCK DRIVERS

Make(s): _____ Model Years Involved: _____ Model(s): _____

Production Dates: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

VIN Range: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

Vehicle Type: _____ Bodystyle: _____

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:

Make(s): _____ Model Years Involved: _____ Model(s): _____

Production Dates: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

VIN Range: Beginning: _____ Ending: _____

Vehicle Type: _____ Bodystyle: _____

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:

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. For example, if the recall involved Widgets equipped with certain items of equipment from January 1, 1996 through April 1, 1997, then what was the percentage of the recalled Widgets of all Widgets manufactured during that time period. _____

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>
STURDIBUS	2006	68
UNIVERSE	2006	3
STURDIBUS	2007	20
UNIVERSE	2007	

Total Number Potentially Affected by the Recall: ~~89~~ 89

4. Furnish the approximate percentage of the total number of vehicles estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance: 66%

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:

AFFECTED MODELS WERE DETERMINED BASED ON BEING EQUIPPED WITH
DEFECTIVE DEVICE.

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.

THE INTERMOTIVE LIFT INTERLOCK DEVICE MODULE WAS DETERMINED TO BE DEFECTIVE BY THE MANUFACTURER

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

WHEN VEHICLE BATTERY VOLTAGE DROPS TO 7.5 VOLTS, MODULE MAY GO TO A FAULT MODE, AND NOT LOCK THE SHIFTER IN PARK AS REQUIRED

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

VEHICLE MAY BE MOVED WITH THE LIFT DEPLOYED, AND COULD RESULT IN INJURY OR DEATH OF LIFT OCCUPANT.

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

NONE

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

INTERMOTIVE VEHICLE CONTROLS
986 So. CANYON WAY
COLFAX, CALIFORNIA 95713

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

UNKNOWN

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.

6. U.S. BUS CORPORATION WAS NOTICED OF THE DEFECT ON MAY 11, 2007
BY THE MANUFACTURER. TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, NO INCIDENTS HAVE
OCCURRED AS A RESULT.

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.

REMEDY INVOLVES REPLACEMENT OF THE DEFECTIVE MODULE.

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

SERIAL NUMBER

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.

NEW MODULES WERE RECEIVED BY SUPPLIER

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.

WITHIN (2) WEEKS AFTER APPROVAL OF CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION PACKET.
INTERMEDIATE WILL ACTUALLY BE SHIPPING THE REPLACEMENT PARTS

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.

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VEHICLE RECALL LISTING**

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ESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP	BODY SERIAL NO.	V.I.N.
		DWF6159 6499	1GBJG31U571128407
OW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	XUC 6464	1GBHG312861244020
		XUC 7157	1GBHG312461268430
		XUC 7158	1GBJG312461267410
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6507	1GBJG3112461271958
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6508	1GBJG3112961271650
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6509	1GBJG3112861272434
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6510	1GBJG3112661271055
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6511	1GBJG3112161271433
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6512	1GBJG3112461272575
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6513	
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6514	
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6515	
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6516	
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6517	
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6518	
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6519	
REET	CHINO, CALIFORNIA 91710	6520	
UTH	BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233	7212	
UTH	BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233	6594	
		7162	
		6371	
		6596	
		6226	1GBJG312861146388
OW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6266	1GBJG312361144750
OW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6267	
OW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6268	1GBJG312561147567
OW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6269	1GBJG312061148609
OW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6270	1GBJG312961148267
		6274	1GBJG312561147200

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CUSTOMER NAME	ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP	BODY SERIAL NO.	V.I.N.
ATLANTIC EXPRESS-NJ			6275	IGBJG312861146686
ATLANTIC EXPRESS-NJ			6276	IGBJG312961146094
ATLANTIC EXPRESS-NJ			6277	IGBJG312961145563
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6281	IGBJG312261147512
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6282	IGBJG312761145156
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6283	IGBJG312461145177
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6284	IGBJG312461145308
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6291	IGBJG312861147692
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6285	IGBJG312761232491
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6286	
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6287	IGBJG312161231594
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6289	IGBJG312861234685
SOUTH BRUNSWICK BOE			6438	
QUIGLEY SCHOOL BUS SERVICE			6358	IGBJG312361182138
QUIGLEY SCHOOL BUS SERVICE			6359	IGBJG312661241537
WEST NY (NJ) BOE			6439	
WEST NY (NJ) BOE			6440	
ATLANTIC EXPRESS			6380	IGBJG312761240185
ATLANTIC EXPRESS			6436	IGBJG312761269153
HUNTERDON BOE			6443	IGBJG312861271607
HUNTERDON BOE			6444	IGBJG312461270728
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6445	IGBJG312861271249
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6446	IGBJG312861272014
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6447	IGBJG312761272585
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6521	IGBJG312161272503
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6522	IGBJG312661272481
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6523	IGBJG312461270535
WARD BODIES			6586	IGBJG312871163344
WARD BODIES			6587	IGBJG312171162598
WARD BODIES			6588	IGBJG312771162511

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CUSTOMER NAME	ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP	BODY SERIAL NO.	V.I.N.
SERVICE TOURS			6589	IGBJG312571162880
CENTRAL BUCKS SCHOOL DIST.			6560	
CENTRAL BUCKS SCHOOL DIST.			6561	
CENTRAL BUCKS SCHOOL DIST.			6562	
CENTRAL BUCKS SCHOOL DIST.			6563	
CENTRAL BUCKS SCHOOL DIST.			6564	
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6590	IGBJG312571163107
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6591	IGBJG312971164261
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6592	IGBJG312571164032
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	6593	IGBJG312171163511
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	7163	
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	7164	IGBJG312071180011
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	7165	IGBJG312371181797
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	7166	IGBJG312071180509
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	7181	IGBJG312671182149
FACTORY-DIRECT BUS SALES	65-51 FRESH MEADOW LANE	FRESH MEADOWS, NY 11365	7182	IGBJG312471182697
SOUTH PLAINFIELD			7249	
IIARTNET TRANSIT			7258	
DALLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS			7116	
DALLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS			7117	
DALLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS			7124	
DALLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS			7125	
DALLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS			7133	
DALLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS			7134	
DALLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS			7151	
DALLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS			7114	
DALLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS			7115	
MANSFIELD ISD			7126	
MANSFIELD ISD			7127	
MANSFIELD ISD			7132	