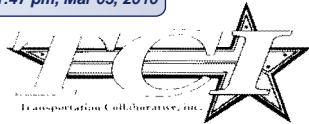


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****SAFETY RECALL NOTICE****

Dealer Notice
NHTSA Recall # 07V- 167
TCI. Recall # 07V- 167

November 112009

Attention Dealer TCI Dealer:

Transportation Collaborative Inc. has, in the interest of public safety and good will to the community, decided to conduct this recall on behalf of US Bus Inc., the original manufacturer of your vehicle. All questions regarding this recall must be directed to Transportation Collaborative Inc., as noted in the body of this Recall Notice.

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. No. 577.13, *Notification to dealers and distributors.*

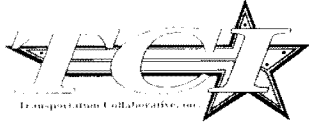
Transportation Collaborative Inc. on Behalf of US Bus Corporation has decided that a noncompliance, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists on certain 2005 and 2005 US Bus Sturdibus and Universe handicap accessible vehicles that were manufactured by US Bus Corporation and equipped with Ricon Corporation Wheel Chair lift models Series 2000 and 5000. This decision was based on information provided by Ricon Corporation that a noncompliance exists with Inner Barrier Interlock on model Series 2000 and 5000 with the following Serial numbers:

Affected lift serial numbers

193151	193155	195996	196105	196106
196107	196342	196343	197028-R	198181
198182	198183	198192	198193	198205
198206	198207	198208	199047	199109
199113	201084	201085	202358	408271

The non-compliance involves Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 403 Platform *lift systems for motor vehicles*. Specifically, the inner roll stop interlock switch may not detect a passenger on the inner surface of the lift platform and allow the lift platform to move downward more than one inch below the floor surface with the platform occupied, by either an ambulatory passenger or a person in a wheel chair. The noncompliance can be a occur at the time of installation, if the installer runs wires through the base plate assembly and the wires lodge under the trigger block for the interlock switch interfering with the switch movement. In the event that this condition may occur during normal operation, it may be possible for the wheelchair to tip backward onto the vehicle floor or a standee could lose his or her balance in either event personal injury can be the result.





The lift repairs may include removal and or re-routing of any added wires running through the base plate and or replacement of the switch block assembly.

Transportation Collaborative Inc will arrange on behalf of Ricon Corporation assistants with locating authorized dealers as well as any parts needed for the owners of all the affected vehicles, at no cost .TCI will also reimburse customers and dealers directly on behalf of US Bus Corporation and Ricon Corporation.

In order to ensure that all vehicles that are subject to the recall are corrected, TCI will perform the following actions:

- Transportation Collaborative Inc. will notify the appropriate customers and advise them to inspect their vehicle(s) for the serial number (s) of the affected lift(s).
- TCI will further request a reply from those customers indicating whether their vehicle is affected or not.

Transportation Collaborative Inc. has, in the interest of public safety and good will to the community, decided to conduct this recall on behalf of US Bus Inc., the original manufacturer of your vehicle. All questions regarding this recall must be directed to Transportation Collaborative Inc., as noted in the body of this Recall Notice.

Enclosed with this letter is a copy of the information provided by Ricon Corporation, which describes in details of the recall condition and the recall correction. Also enclosed with this letter are copies of the information that will be sent to each customer. Should you have any vehicles in your stock that require the recall service work, please make certain that these vehicles are corrected. As per Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 577.13 which states that is a, *violation of Federal Law for a dealer to deliver a new motor vehicle or any new or used (including tire) covered by the notification under a sale or lease until the defect or noncompliance is remedied.* If you have any questions about this recall please call Transportation Collaborative Inc. Customer Service at 1-845-988-0419.
Sincerely,

Jose Vazquez

Transportation Collaborative Inc.





Recall

Safety Standard Non-Compliance Recall Notification (# 06E101000)

This notice is posted as a convenience to our customers who wish to check their Ricon lift serial number(s) against the master list of lifts requiring inspection and/or repair.

Ricon Corp. has determined that a safety related non-compliance with S6.10.2.7 of the 403 (Inner Barrier Interlock) exists in certain "DOT Public Use" wheelchair lifts only manufactured between January 6, 2006 and September 6, 2006.

WHY ARE WE CONDUCTING THIS RECALL:

The potential non-compliance is the result of the inner barrier interlock switch system in the lift base plate not detecting the presence of a passenger (either wheelchair or standee) on the barrier and allowing the platform to move down more than one inch below floor level when occupied.

This condition can result during installation if the installer runs wires through the base plate assembly and the wires lodge under the trigger block of the interlock interfering with the switch movement. In the event this condition occurs during passenger operations it may be possible for the wheelchair to tip backwards onto the platform if the user is backing onto the lift from inside the vehicle and has the small front wheels fully or partially on the inner barrier when the platform was lowered. A standee could lose his or her balance if they were positioned fully or partially on the inner barrier when the platform was lowered. Either condition could cause personal injury. No incidents have been reported to date.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

Locate the Serial number(s) on your lift(s). Enter each serial # in the space provided at the bottom of this page and press submit. If your serial # is one of those included in this recall, follow the procedures outlined below to determine if your lift(s) needs adjustment or modifications

1. Park the vehicle in a safe location and operate the lift through the unfold/deploy cycle.
2. With the lift at the vehicle floor level, place a 25 pound weight completely on any part of the inner barrier, (yellow painted plate) and push the down switch.
3. If the lift platform goes down one inch or less and then stops all movement, the lift does not require adjustment or modification and may be returned to normal service.
4. If the platform continues to move downward, the operator should take the following steps:
 - a. Remove the 25-pound weight, return the lift to the stowed position and turn power off to the hand control.
 - b. Tag the lift to show it is NOT OPERATIONAL following your own "lockout/red tag" procedures.
 - c. Contact the Ricon Customer Support Department at 800-322-2884 for guidance on how to correct the non-compliance.
 - d. DO NOT USE THE LIFT again until a factory-trained technician has corrected the non-compliant condition.

WHAT RICON CORPORATION WILL DO:

Upon notification from you, Ricon will work with you to locate and correct the source of interference or other problem with the inner barrier interlock switch as quickly as possible. If you are already factory trained to perform service on Ricon lifts, the repairs can be done at your location. If you are not factory trained to service Ricon lifts, we will arrange for the repairs to be done at the nearest Ricon authorized service center/dealer

Lift repairs may include removal and/or re-routing any added wire running through the baseplate, adjustment of the inner barrier interface with the base plate or replacement of the switch block assembly. We will provide all the necessary adjustment instructions and/or replacement parts Free of Charge.

We have attached an "Inspection/Repair Log", for your convenience, to record the inspection and/or repairs that are completed on your lifts. Please download this form and fax a copy of the completed Log indicating the inspection and/or repairs were completed to (818) 267-3138.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. If you have any questions concerning these procedures please contact Ricon at (818) 267-3038 or by email at bmccoy@wabtec.com