

DATE: January 2008



TO: Girardin Minibus Distributors

SUBJECT: Recall # 07-019-BXU (NHTSA # XXXXXX)
Protective tubes on battery cables in the battery box on Ford diesel chassis 2004 and up

FROM: Chantal Blanchette, Service & Warranty Coordinator, Girardin Minibus

Please find enclosed a copy of the notification letter we will mail to our end users in the next days regarding Girardin Minibus recall # 07-019-BXU:

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

Girardin Minibus has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in 2004 through 2008 MBII & MBIV Ford diesel school & commercial minibuses equipped with the option BBX (battery box).

The safety issue is: The protection from abrasion on the battery cables that cross in the battery box is inadequate. It may create a short circuit in case the abrasion between the cables is excessive. This short circuit could result in a fire.

What we are asking you to do:

Improve the protection on the battery cables that cross in the battery box by adding protective tubes.

You will find enclosed the service bulletin & the required parts to perform the recall. After you have done the repair, please return the reply sheet to Girardin Minibus. This will enable us to update our file and mail you a check for the labour.

If you prefer, you can take an appointment with your dealer to have it done free of charge (parts & labour).

How long will it take: Time required to do add the protective tubes is approximately 15 minutes.

A list of the involved vehicles is enclosed. If some have been sold & are not registered yet, please register them as soon as possible.

Distributors are reminded of their responsibilities under section 154 of The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1991. Dealers are required to have their units in inventory modified/repared before delivering to the final owner.

Questions regarding this recall campaign should be directed to me at (819) 477-8222 extension 401. We regret any inconvenience this may cause.