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Recall 07V-135

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Thomas Built Buses, Inc. has decided certain Minotour, FS-65, C2, HDX, and EF school buses manufactured between January 6, 2006 and September 6, 2006, fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 404, "Platform Lift Installations in Motor Vehicles". This decision was based on information provided by Ricon. These units are identified on the enclosed postcard (Form PSD 304).

The noncompliance involves the inboard rollstop interlock. A wire may have been improperly routed through the base plate and is interfering with the operation of the inboard rollstop switch. The lift may deploy downward from the vehicle floor level, not detecting the presence of a wheelchair or standee occupant. This could cause injury to the occupant or a crash.

You should immediately contact your Thomas Built Buses dealer for an appointment to have your vehicle modified. Thomas will remedy this defect without charge. The remedy will consist of inspection and if necessary repair which may include but are not limited to removal and/or re-routing any added wire running through the base-plate, adjustment of the inner barrier interface with the base-plate or replacement of the switch block assembly. It will take approximately .3 hour for inspection and if repairs are needed 1 additional hour per unit. To arrange for repairs, contact your local Thomas Built Buses dealer. After the repair is made, please complete each postage paid card separately and return it to Thomas Built Buses to verify completion.

In addition to being used to verify repair completion, the postcard must be completed and returned if the vehicle does not need repair, if you no longer own the vehicle, or the vehicle identified on the postcard has been exported, stolen, or destroyed/totaled. Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving the recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within 10 days.

If you have had your vehicle repaired due to this noncompliance prior to receipt of this notice and you have incurred any costs, you may be eligible for reimbursement. For further information, please contact the Warranty/Recall Department at (336) 822-2871, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. eastern standard time Monday through Friday, e-mail Tracy.Sauerbrey@thomasbus.com.

If the defect is not remedied without charge and within a reasonable time, which is not longer than 60 days after you tender the vehicle for repair, also please contact the Warranty/Recall Department at (336)-822-2871. You may also submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590, or phone the Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153) or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>. If your vehicle is involved in the Canadian portion, you may notify the Manager, Recall and Public Compliance, Road and Motor Vehicle Traffic Safety Branch, Transport Canada, Ottawa, Ontario or phone (613)-993-9851.

Sincerely,

Tracy Sauerbrey
Warranty/Recall Department

Enclosure