

U.S. BUS CORPORATION

WE'RE SERIOUS ABOUT SMALL BUSES.

Mr. Customer\Address
Anywhere, USA

April 25, 2007

Dear Valued U.S. Bus Corporation Customer:

This letter is being sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor vehicle Safety Act.

U.S. Bus Corporation has decided that certain U.S. Bus school buses, equipped with Ricon wheelchair lifts, fail to comply with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 404, *Platform Lift for Installation in 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, either by an ambulatory passenger or a person in a wheelchair. In the event of a malfunction, a wheelchair passenger could be flipped backward onto the platform from the bus floor, or a standee on the platform could lose his or her balance and fall or trip.

Please take the time necessary to examine the serial number of the lift in your vehicle, and compare it to those numbers found on page 2 of this letter. If the serial number of the lift on your vehicle is one listed, please contact Ricon Corporation at the number shown on the enclosed Ricon letter. Upon notification, Ricon will advise you of the proper procedure to be undertaken in order to have your lift tested and/or repaired.

Please note that both U.S. Bus and Ricon Corporation feel strongly enough about the safety of you and your passengers to inform you that this situation is important enough for you to take immediate action in checking for the affected serial numbers and, if your lift is affected, to advise you to immediately tag the lift as "OUT OF SERVICE" until repairs can be made.

U.S. Bus Corporation and Ricon Corp. apologize for any inconvenience this recall may cause; however, the safety of your passengers is, and must remain, our highest priority. Should you have any questions regarding this important matter, please contact Ricon directly, or you may contact me at:

Phone: (765) 939-3984
Cell: (845) 641-4898

If you feel that this recall has not been handled properly and in a reasonable amount of time and at no charge to you, you may notify:

Administrator,
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street SW
Washington, DC 20590
Phone: (888) 327-4236
(TTY: 800-424-9153; or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>).

Sincerely,

Michael A. Sykes
Product Safety Engineer

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