



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-215paw
08V-010

Subject: STAINLESS STEEL HYDRAULIC LINES

Dear MR. LEGG:

This letter serves to acknowledge New Flyer Industries Canada ULC's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect in the products described below for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 30119.

Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

NEW FLYER/C40LFR/2006-2007
NEW FLYER/D35LF/2006-2007
NEW FLYER/D35LFR/2007
NEW FLYER/D40LF/2006-2007
NEW FLYER/D40LFR/2006-2007
NEW FLYER/D61LFR/2007
NEW FLYER/DE35LF/2007
NEW FLYER/DE41LF/2006
NEW FLYER/DE41LFR/2006-2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 08V-010

Mfg's Report Date: January 2, 2008

Components: ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING:ENGINE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,049

Summary:

CERTAIN BUSES HAVE STAINLESS STEEL HYDRAULIC LINES WITH 90° FLANGE FITTINGS WHICH ARE SUBJECT TO FAILURE DUE TO ERRORS IN BOTH THE DESIGN AND MANUFACTURE OF THESE LINES.

Consequence:

FAILURE OF THESE LINES, LOCATED IN THE ENGINE COMPARTMENT, COULD RESULT IN A VEHICLE FIRE.

Remedy:

NEW FLYER WILL REMOVE THESE LINES AND REPLACE THEM WITH A PREVIOUSLY PROVEN DESIGN OF FLEXIBLE LINES. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING JANUARY 2008. OWNERS MAY CONTACT NEW FLYER AT 1-204-982-8400.

Notes:

CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV).

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

We have reviewed your proposed owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577. However, please revise your owner letters to include the following updated NHTSA hotline information: "...the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>."

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at Patricia.wallace@dot.gov, Delia.lopez@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patricia Wallace".

George H. Person
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement