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**National Highway
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08V-212

SUBJECT: FMVSS 404/WHEEL CHAIR LIFT/MAXON

DEAR MR. VAN LAAR:

This letter serves to acknowledge International Truck and Engine Corporation's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 404, "Platform Lift Installations in Motor Vehicles," in the vehicles 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:
IC/CESB/2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 08V-212

Mfg's Report Date: May 7, 2008

Components: EQUIPMENT ADAPTIVE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 5

Summary:

INTERNATIONAL IS RECALLING MY 2007 CE SCHOOL BUSES MANUFACTURED BETWEEN FEBRUARY 8 AND JUNE 27, 2006, EQUIPPED WITH MAXON WHEELCHAIR LIFTS. THE WHEELCHAIR OUTER RETENTION DEVICE LOCATED AT THE END OF THE WHEELCHAIR PLATFORM FAILS TO CONFORM TO FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NO. 404, "PLATFORM LIFT INSTALLATIONS IN MOTOR VEHICLES."

Consequence:

INJURY COULD OCCUR TO THE LIFT USER.

Remedy:

ALL THE OWNERS HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED AND ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO REPAIR THE AFFECTED BUSES BY MAY 23, 2008.

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).

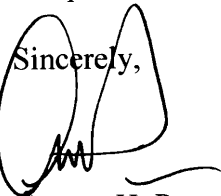
Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

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

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 contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5227, by email at Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for the successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,


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Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement