

VEHICLE DEFECT  
 INITIAL INFORMATION REPORT

**08V-278  
 AMENDED**

MANUFACTURED DATES						
MAKE	MODEL	MODEL YEAR	NUMBER OF VEHICLES	FROM	THROUGH	OTHER IDENTIFICATION NECESSARY DESCRIBE VEHICLE
Blue-Bird	L4RE, C4RE, M4RE	2002-2007	<u>203</u>	<u>03/31/05</u>	<u>05/19/07</u>	Certain Blue-Bird transit buses equipped with a "PRX1" module

Total number of vehicles: 203 Percent Potentially Containing Defect: 100

**DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT:**

The PRX1 module is a device which transmits an electric signal to the instrument cluster, which is then converted into an air system pressure reading on the dash mounted guage. On certain modules, this reading is inaccurate causing the displayed pressure to be outside the tolerance of 49CFR571.121.

**RISK TO MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY:**

If the air brake system develops a leak, the vehicle operator may not be aware due to the inaccurate dash reading. If a leak occurs, the safety/emergency brakes could set without adequate warning, applying the brakes partially, which could result in loss of vehicle control, possibly causing a crash.

**1) CHRONOLOGY OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS WHICH LED TO DETERMINATION OF DEFECT:**

1. NABI was advised of a possible issue from the bus body supplier around August 2007.
2. Investigation of the issue during the ensuing period resulted in ambiguous results.
3. Subsequently, NABI personnel were able to duplicate the issue as reported.
4. On or about June 12, 2008, NABI decided to issue this recall.
5. On or about September 19, 2008, NABI amended this recall to include M4RE model vehicles and corrected the total count.

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**2) MEASURES TO BE TAKEN TO REPAIR VEHICLE:**

NABI will provide instructions to vehicle owners/end-users to add a specific wire to the module, correcting the defect.

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**3) REMEDY EXPENSE:**

There will be no cost to owners/end-users.

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**4) EARLIEST DATE TO BE REMEDIED:**

The remedy instructions are available and will be sent with the owner recall letter.

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**5) PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT DATE:**

There will be no public announcement.

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**6) OWNER LETTER/QUARTERLY REPORTS:**

NABI will issue the appropriate owner letter and will report quarterly to NHTSA. First draft of owner letter to NHTSA is planned for submission on or before June 27, 2008 or within 20 calendar days of NHTSA acknowledgement of this recall, whichever is earlier.

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