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Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington D.C. 20590

Subject: Vehicle Defect Initial Information Report

Dear Associate Administrator:

Pursuant to Part 573.6 (c) (1), this Vehicle Defect Initial Information Report is submitted to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration by Navistar, Inc, on behalf of IC Bus, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary.

(1) IDENTIFICATION OF VEHICLES [Part 573.6(c)(2)]

- Vehicle Models Involved:
 - 1998 thru 2003 IC Bus RE model series buses.
- Vehicle Manufacturing Dates:
 - 1/5/98 thru 7/23/02.
- Other Identification Necessary to Describe Vehicles:
 - Equipped with an INTERNATIONAL® T444E engine.

(2) COMPONENT MANUFACTURER [Part 573.6(c)(2)(iv)]

- This report relates to a component manufactured by Navistar, Inc.

(3) VEHICLE POPULATION INVOLVED [Part 573.6 (c)(3)]

Model	Number of Suspect Vehicles		
	United States	Canada	Export
RE Bus	1765	34	0

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(4) PERCENTAGE OF VEHICLES ESTIMATED TO CONTAIN THE DEFECT [Part 573.6 (c)(4)]

- It is estimated that all (100%) of the vehicles in suspect population could have the defect.

(5) DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT [Part 573.6 (c)(5)]

- The hose assemblies that supply high pressure oil to the engine's cylinder heads may deteriorate and allow oil to leak or mist in the engine compartment.
- Leaking or misting oil in the engine compartment may ignite resulting in a fire possibly causing property damage, personal injury, or death.

(6) CHRONOLOGY OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS WHICH LED TO DETERMINATION OF A SAFETY DEFECT or TEST RESULTS THAT LED TO DETERMINATION OF NONCOMPLIANCE [Part 573.6 (c)(6)/(7)]

- 4/23/08 – Vehicle owner reported a high pressure oil line leak in one of their vehicles.
- 5/9/08 – Vehicle owner reported a high pressure oil line leak resulted in a fire on one of their vehicles.
- 6/4/08 – Navistar Engine Engineering initiates an investigation to determine the extent of the issue. The investigation determined:
 - Five vehicles with confirmed high pressure oil line failures.
 - All the failed hose assemblies were part of a single lot of material sent to one customer as part of the Navistar safety recall 07510 (NHTSA 07V-232).
 - The fitting to hose connection of the hose assemblies within the suspect lot of material were improperly crimped.
 - The improper fitting/hose crimp was isolated to the one suspect lot of material.
- 7/16/08 – Navistar Engine Engineering determines VINS of vehicles equipped with suspect hose assemblies.
- 7/23/08 – Navistar declares a safety recall.

(7) PROGRAM TO REMEDY DEFECT [Part 573.6 (c)(8)]

- The hose assemblies that supply high pressure oil to the engine's cylinder heads will be replaced on all suspect vehicles.

(8) PLAN FOR REIMBURSEMENT [Part 573.6 (c)(8)(i)]

- Some of the vehicles in this recall fall outside the warranty period; therefore, Navistar's plan for reimbursement of pre-notification remedies, on file and dated 1/4/2007 applies and instructions will be included in the customer notification.

(9) SCHEDULE FOR RECALL NOTIFICATION [Part 573.6 (c)(8)(i)]

- Availability of repair parts is undetermined as of the date of this report.
- If repair parts are not available within 60 days of the date of this report an Interim Notice will be mailed to customers by 10/10/08 and IC Bus dealers by 10/3/08.

(10) *RECALL NUMBER [Part 573.6 (c)(11)]*

- Navistar: 08507
- NHTSA: Not Yet Assigned

The undersigned should be contacted for any additional information regarding this recall on (260) 461-1890.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R. L. Van Laar".

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