

Safety Defect and Noncompliance Report Guide for Vehicles  
**PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Responsibility and Reports<sup>1</sup>**

On Feb 15, 2010, Van-Con, Inc [MFR] decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in the motor vehicles listed below, and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 **Defect and Noncompliance Responsibility and Reports**.

Date this report was prepared: 3/18/10

Furnish the manufacturer's identification code for this recall (if applicable): 09E-060

1. Identify the full corporate name of the fabricating manufacturer of the vehicle being recalled. If the recalled vehicle is imported, provide the name and mailing address of the designated agent as prescribed by 49 U.S.C. §30164.

Van-Con, Inc  
123 William St  
Middlesex NJ 08844

Identify the corporate official, by name and title, whom the agency should contact with respect to this recall.

Allison E Fusco Admin Asst

Telephone Number: 732-350-8484 Fax No.: 732-805-9661

Name and Title of Person who prepared this report  
Allison E. Fusco  
Admin Asst

Signed:

Allison E Fusco

<sup>1</sup> Each manufacturer must furnish a report, to the Associate Administrator for Enforcement, for each defect or noncompliance condition which relates to motor vehicle safety.

**I. Identify the Vehicle Models Involved in the Recall**

**2. Identify the Vehicles Involved in the Recall, for each make and model or applicable vehicle line (provide illustrations or photographs as necessary to describe the vehicle), provide:**

Make(s): CHEV FORD Model Years Involved: 2008 Model(s): 2009

Production Dates: Beginning: 12/1/07 Ending: 12/18/09

VIN Range: Beginning: N/A Ending: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Type/Handi-Cap Bodystyle: School Bus 25 pass

**Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:**

VIN # on bus

Make(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Model Years Involved: \_\_\_\_\_ Model(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Production Dates: Beginning: \_\_\_\_\_ Ending: \_\_\_\_\_

VIN Range: Beginning: \_\_\_\_\_ Ending: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Bodystyle: \_\_\_\_\_

**Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:**

Make(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Model Years Involved: \_\_\_\_\_ Model(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Production Dates: Beginning: \_\_\_\_\_ Ending: \_\_\_\_\_

VIN Range: Beginning: \_\_\_\_\_ Ending: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Bodystyle: \_\_\_\_\_

**Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:**

**Identify the approximate percentage of the production of all the recalled models manufactured by your company between the inclusive dates of manufacture provided above, that the recalled model population represents. For example, if the recall involved Vehicles equipped with certain items of equipment from January 1, 1996 through April 1, 1997, then what was the percentage of the recalled Vehicles of all Vehicles manufactured during that time period.**

**II. Identify the Recall Population**

3. Furnish the total number of vehicles recalled potentially containing the defect or noncompliance.

Model	Year	Number of Vehicles Potentially Involved
CHEV FORD	2008-2009	3
Handi-cap 25 pass		

Total Number Potentially Affected by the Recall: 3

4. Furnish the approximate percentage of the total number of vehicles estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance:

Identify and describe how the recall population was determined—in particular how the recalled models were selected and the basis for the beginning and final dates of manufacture of the recalled vehicles:

Van-Con was notified by Picon Corp on 2/15/10 that the buckle latch on the restraint belts on these lifts were not "clicking" together to lock the belt unless the tongue of the belt is fully engaged and latched into the buckle. Picon has discovered that it is possible for the operator to insert the belt tongue into the buckle without fully engaging the latching mechanism.

**III. Describe the Defect or Noncompliance**

5. Describe the defect or noncompliance. The description should address the nature and physical location of the defect or noncompliance. Illustrations should be provided as appropriate.

Restraint Belt Locking mechanism

Describe the cause(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

Locking mechanism on Restraint Belt if not fully engaged may not lock

Describe the consequence(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

Restraint Belt may not lock

Identify any warning which can (a) precede or (b) occur.

None

If the defect or noncompliance is in a component or assembly purchased from a supplier, identify the supplier by corporate name and address.

Ricon Corp  
A Division of Vapor Bus Int.  
7900 Nelson Rd  
Panorama City, Ca 91402

Identify the name and title of the chief executive officer or knowledgeable representative of the supplier:

Daniel Mata @ Ricon Corp Recalls  
OSCAR Paradinas VP Sales  
@ Ricon Corp

**IV. Provide the Chronology in Determining the Defect/Noncompliance**

*If the recall is for a defect, complete item 6, otherwise item 7.*

6. With respect to a defect, furnish a chronological summary (including dates) of all the principle events that were the basis for the determination of the defect. The summary should include, but not be limited to, the number of reports, accidents, injuries, fatalities, and warranty claims. *see letter from Ricon*

7. With respect to a noncompliance, identify and provide the test results or other data (in chronological order and including dates) on which the noncompliance was determined.

*See letter from Ricon*

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**V. Identify the Remedy**

8. A description of the manufacturer's program for remedying the defect or noncompliance. This program shall include a plan for reimbursing an owner or purchaser who incurred costs to obtain a remedy for the problem addressed by the recall within a reasonable time in advance of the manufacturer's notification of owners, purchasers and dealers, in accordance with §573.13 of this part. A manufacturer's plan may incorporate by reference a general reimbursement plan it previously submitted to NHTSA, together with information specific to the individual recall. Information required by §573.13 that is not in a general reimbursement plan shall be submitted in the manufacturer's report to NHTSA under this section. If a manufacturer submits one or more general reimbursement plans, the manufacturer shall update each plan every two years, in accordance with §573.13. The manufacturer's remedy program and reimbursement plans will be available for inspection by the public at NHTSA headquarters.

*Place stickers on belt buckle with instructions  
"Click & TUG."*

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