



DATE: January 2011

TO: Micro Bird Distributors

SUBJECT: Recall # 10-039-JSU (NHTSA 10V-627)  
Joint strength below window

FROM: Valérie Fortin, Regulations and Standards Technician, Micro Bird

Please find enclosed a copy of the notification letter we will mail to our end users in the next days regarding Micro Bird recall # 10-039-JSU:

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***This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor vehicle Safety Act.***

Micro Bird has decided that certain 2008 and 2009 Girardin G5 built with a joint at the front left-hand side panel inside the bus fails to comply with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 221, "School bus body joint strength". Our records show that you own the vehicle (s) with the vehicle identification number shown above (or on the reply sheet).

**The safety issue is:**

There is no adhesive on the joint between the two embossed aluminum sheets inside the bus at the front left-hand side.

In the event of a crash, the embossed aluminum sheets may separate from the interior compartment structure and cause injury to a passenger.

**What should you do?**

Verify the presence of adhesive between rivets under the embossed aluminum sheet. If there is no adhesive, add adhesive as per the instruction procedure enclosed.

Please contact Karine Favreau at Micro Bird Service and Warranty, at 819 477-2012 ext. 264 or [karine.favreau@microbird.com](mailto:karine.favreau@microbird.com) if you have any problem or question.

After you have done the repair, please return the reply sheet to Corp. Micro Bird. This will enable us to update our file and send you a reimbursement check for parts and labor. Please fill in and return the reply sheet even if the repair was not necessary.

If you prefer, you can make an appointment with your Micro Bird dealer to have the repair done free of charge (parts & labour).

**How long will it take:**

Time required to do the repair is approximately 45 minutes per vehicle. If you plan to ask a third party to do the repair make sure it will be done within the time allowed.

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A list of vehicles involved is enclosed. If some have been sold & are not registered yet, please register them as soon as possible.

Dealers are required to have all units in inventory modified/repared before delivery to the final owner.

We regret any inconvenience this may caused you.