



13 December 2010

VIA Express MAIL

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Subject: **Recall 10V-605 - Radius Rod Bracket Assemblies - New Flyer PN 280539**

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

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

New Flyer Industries Canada ULC and New Flyer of America Inc. (together "New Flyer") have decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain New Flyer transit vehicles. Further investigation has revealed that the following vehicles, operated by [REDACTED] are affected:

Make: New Flyer Transit Vehicle
Model: DE60LF
VIN Range (last 6 digits): 038102 to 038103.

New Flyer has determined that certain models of bus have radius rod bracket assemblies (NF Part Number 280539) which were incorrectly manufactured by a sub-supplier. The assemblies may be missing two of the four required welds, reducing the calculated lifespan of the bracket assembly from over one million miles, to between 140,000 and 400,000 miles depending upon the quality of the existing welds.

The affected radius rod assemblies were manufactured between May of 2008 and August of 2009.

Failure of a radius rod bracket assembly may result in restricted steering capability with potential for vehicle crash, injury or death.

New Flyer proposes to replace the existing radius rod bracket assemblies with certified product on the affected vehicles.

We regret any inconvenience which this action may cause you, however, we are concerned about your safety and the safety of your passengers. For information or assistance with regards to this defect, contact either your Regional Product Support Manager Thomas Manning, or New Flyer Customer Services at (204) 934-4874.

If you no longer own these vehicles, please inform us when you call.

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Federal regulations require that any vehicle leaser receiving this notice, must forward a copy of this notice to the person leasing the vehicle within ten days.

This recall is being managed by New Flyer. Parts and labor required to accomplish the recall in accordance with the attached instructions will be provided at no cost. The inspection and replacement (if required) of the radius rod bracket assemblies should take approximately 4.0 hours per vehicle to complete.

If you had this repair performed before you received this letter, you may be eligible to receive reimbursement for the cost of obtaining a pre-notification remedy of the problem associated with this recall. For more information please contact the New Flyer Warranty Department at (204) 934-4803.

If we fail, or we are unable to remedy this defect without charge and within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to:

The Administrator
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Ave. SE.,
Washington, DC, 20590

or call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153);

or go to: <http://www.safercar.gov> .

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,
NEW FLYER OF AMERICA INC.
NEW FLYER INDUSTRIES CANADA ULC

By: Kerry Legg
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(204) 934-4876

cc: Thomas Manning – Regional Product Support Manager
Hans Peper – Executive Vice President Customer Services.