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

Subject: Defect Information Report (Initial)
Navistar Campaign 11511

Dear Associate Administrator:

This defect information report is submitted pursuant to Part 573.6(a).

(1) MANUFACTURER'S NAME [Part 573.6(c)(1)]

- Navistar, Inc on behalf of IC Bus, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary.

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

- Vehicle Type /Make / Model / Model Year Involved:
 - Commercial Bus / IC Bus / RE / 2011, 2012
- Vehicle Manufacturing Dates:
 - 8/24/10 thru 6/8/11
- Other Identification Necessary to Describe Vehicles:
 - With a 2010 exhaust emissions engine feature code 510974.

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

- This report relates to a defect in a vehicle level assembly controlled by IC Bus.

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

Type	Make	Model	Number of Suspect Vehicles		
			United States	Canada	Export
Commercial Bus	IC Bus	RE	64	0	0

(5) 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.

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

- The positive battery cable may rub on the hydraulic cooler reservoir mounting bracket possibly resulting in an electrical short.
- An electrical short may cause a fire possibly resulting in property damage, personal injury, or death.

(7) 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)]

- 5/24/11 – Navistar Field Service reported that an RE bus was involved in a vehicle fire.
- 6/16/11 – Engineering, manufacturing, and field service personnel met to determine the extent of the issue. Inspected vehicles at the Tulsa bus plant and found additional units where the positive cable was rubbing on the cooler reservoir bracket.
- 6/24/11 – Determined the suspect bus population.
- 6/30/11 – Determined root cause of the positive cable chafing on the bracket and began development of a possible field remedy.
- 7/8/11 – Navistar verified the scope of the issue and finalized the field remedy
- 7/13/11 – Navistar declares a safety recall.

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

- The remedy will involve the rerouting of the battery cables.

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

- A plan for reimbursement of pre-notification remedies is not needed as all the vehicles are within their original warranty period.

(10) SCHEDULE FOR RECALL NOTIFICATION [Part 573.6 (c)(8)(ii)]

- The schedule for recall notification is based on the availability of repair parts which cannot be determined at this time. However, a plan to mail an interim owner notification letter may be developed if the final remedy will not be available before 9/16/11.

(11) MANUFACTURER'S CAMPAIGN NUMBER [Part 573.6 (c)(11)]

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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".

R. L. Van Laar
Compliance Manager
Navistar, Inc.

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