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March 09, 2012

Dear Blue Bird Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Blue Bird Corporation has decided that certain 2007 through 2012 model year All American rear engine school buses manufactured from April 12, 2006 through June 27, 2011 and equipped with a 60 gallon fuel tank may fail to conform to the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 301 "Fuel System Integrity".

On the subject buses, the fuel system failed to meet the maximum fuel spillage requirements specified in S5.5 of FMVSS 301 "Fuel System Integrity" after a moving contoured barrier fuel system integrity test. Fuel leakage in the presence of an ignition source could result in a fire with the potential for property damage and/or personal injury.

Blue Bird is conducting a recall to correct this noncompliance. When completed, the instructions along with labor times and parts requirements will be sent to you and affected owners.

Your Blue Bird bus(es) affected by this recall are identified by **body serial number(s)** on the enclosed reply sheets. If you no longer own the subject bus(es), please complete the appropriate section of the **yellow** cover sheet and return to Blue Bird in the enclosed pink postage prepaid envelope.

Once remedy is available, you may contact your Blue Bird dealer to arrange to have this recall performed. Or, if you prefer, you may perform this recall yourself or have a qualified repair facility convenient to you perform this recall. A qualified technician should perform this recall.

If you decide to perform Recall R11TR yourself or have the recall performed by a local qualified repair facility, Blue Bird will ship remedy parts to you at "no charge". Parts required to perform Recall R11TR are anticipated to be available within 30. To receive parts complete and return the enclosed yellow reply sheet

Labor time to perform the remedy for R11TR will be included in the recall remedy instructions which will be provided with recall remedy parts. When recall R11TR has been completed reimbursement for labor may be obtained by completing the enclosed **pink** request for reimbursement sheet provided and returning it to Blue Bird in the enclosed **pink** postage prepaid envelope.

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If the modifications directed by this notification were performed on your bus prior to the receipt of this recall notification, complete and sign the recall reply sheet and attach a copy of the work order/invoice. Mail the documents in the **pink** self-addressed postage paid envelope included with the recall notification to Blue Bird for warranty consideration. Reimbursements will be made in accordance with the requirements of the National Highway Transportation Safety Act, Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 573 and 577.

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

If Blue Bird Body Company should fail to or is unable to remedy this condition without charge to you, you may contact:

**ADMINISTRATOR
NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION
1200 NEW JERSEY AVENUE, SE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590**

Or, you may call The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration toll free at:

1-888-327-4236 TTY 1-800-424-9153 Or, go to: [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV)

Questions regarding this recall campaign should be directed to me at (478) 822-2242.

Thank you,

Bill Coleman
Corporate Recall Administrator