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of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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NVS-2151rd
12V-061

SUBJECT: SERVICE BRAKES/ TRACTION RELAY VALVE

DEAR MR. VAN LAAR:

This letter serves to acknowledge Navistar, Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the vehicles listed below.

Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

IC BUS/CE/2012-2013

IC BUS/RE/2012-2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 12V-061

Mfg's Report Date: February 8, 2012

Components: SERVICE BRAKES, AIR: SUPPLY: CHECK VALVE

Potential Number of Units Affected: 931

Summary:

NAVISTAR IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2012-2013 IC BUS CE AND RE SCHOOL BUSES MANUFACTURED FROM DECEMBER 2, 2010, THROUGH JANUARY 26, 2012, AND EQUIPPED WITH BENDIX ATR-6 ANTILOCK TRACTION RELAY VALVES. IN EXTREMELY COLD CONDITIONS, THESE BENDIX RELAY VALVES MAY POTENTIALLY DEVELOP INTERNAL LEAKAGE. INTERNAL LEAKAGE CAN

LEAD TO AIR PRESSURE BEING DELIVERED TO AFFECTED PRIMARY OR SECONDARY BRAKES CAUSING CONTINUOUS BRAKE APPLICATION.

Consequence:

UNEXPECTED CONTINUOUS BRAKE APPLICATION CAN CAUSE THE DRIVER TO LOSE CONTROL OF THE VEHICLE, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH. ALSO, THE BRAKES MAY BE APPLIED WITHOUT ILLUMINATING THE BRAKE LIGHTS, FAILING TO GIVE PROPER WARNING TO OTHER DRIVERS.

Remedy:

NAVISTAR WILL NOTIFY OWNERS, AND DEALERS WILL PROVIDE A TEMPORARY REPAIR UNTIL BENDIX DEVELOPS A PERMANENT REMEDY. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT APRIL 6, 2012. THIS SERVICE WILL BE PERFORMED FREE OF CHARGE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT NAVISTAR AT 260-461-1890.

Notes:

NAVISTAR'S RECALL NUMBER IS 12502. CUSTOMERS MAY CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

Please be reminded of the following information:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Edison Thompson who may be reached by phone at 1-202-366-9525, or by email at Edison.Thompson@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you toward a successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jen for" followed by a stylized signature.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement