



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

July 5, 2012

MR. DENY BERTRAND  
REGULATORY COMPLIANCE MANAGER  
PREVOST  
35 BOULEVARD GAGNON  
STE-CLAIRE, QUÉBEC -CANADA 00 G0R 2V0

NVS-2151rd  
12V-303

SUBJECT: THROTTLE PEDAL SENSOR

DEAR MR. BERTRAND:

This letter serves to acknowledge Prevost'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:**

PREVOST/H3-45/2007-2011

PREVOST/X3-45/2009-2011

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 12V-303

**Mfg's Report Date:** June 21, 2012

**Components:** VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL:ACCELERATOR PEDAL

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 400

**Summary:**

PREVOST IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2007-2011 H3-45 AND MODEL YEAR 2009-2011 X3-45 COACHES EQUIPPED WITH VOLVO D13 ENGINES. THE ACCELERATOR PEDAL THROTTLE POSITION SENSOR MAY BE INOPERATIVE DUE TO A PERMANENT IDLE SIGNAL.

**Consequence:**

IF THIS OCCURS, THE VEHICLE MAY STOP RESPONDING TO INPUT FROM THE ACCELERATOR PEDAL, AND THUS BECOME STOPPED IN TRAFFIC, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

**Remedy:**

PREVOST WILL NOTIFY OWNERS, AND DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE ACCELERATOR PEDAL THROTTLE SENSOR, FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN JULY 2012. OWNERS MAY CONTACT PREVOST AT 1-418-883-2888.

**Notes:**

THE PREVOST RECALL CAMPAIGN NUMBER IS SR12-16. CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-423 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).

We have received Prevost proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter in which the campaign was initiated. Thereafter, quarterly reports will be due on or before 30 days after close of the calendar quarter.

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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](mailto:Edison.Thompson@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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