



**IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE: 12V-345**

Dear Customer:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act. Collins Bus Corporation has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Collins, Mid Bus, or Corbeil buses.

**!! IMPORTANT !!**  
 >Your bus is being recalled.  
 >You should contact your nearest dealer for inspection and repair.

**Why is a recall being conducted?**

Due to hardware design and installation procedures, the fuel fill hose on your bus may be damaged. Also, there may be interference between a seat bolt and the fuel fill hose. If the integrity of this hose is breached, fuel could spill. In the case of gasoline or diesel vehicle, fuel could spill during fueling operations or in the event of a crash. In the case of a propane vehicle, propane gas could be released during fueling operations (check valves prevent release from the tanks).

**What are we doing about the problem?**

We are instructing your Collins distributor to inspect and repair your vehicle. The inspection consists of an examination of the hose for damage or interference with the seat bolt or bracket. The repair consists of replacing the hose if damaged. If the bolt interferes with the hose, the existing bolt will be replaced with a shorter bolt and material will be installed on the bracket to protect the hose against damage. Collins Bus Corporation Customer Service will provide the required parts and instructions. The estimated inspection and repair time is 20 minutes per vehicle. These repairs are offered to you free of charge.

**What should you do?**

Contact your local Collins Bus Corporation dealer and schedule a time to have your bus inspected and repaired. After the repairs are complete, please fill in the appropriate information on the enclosed Owner Response Postcard, sign it, and mail it to Collins Bus Corporation.

**What if you no longer own this bus?**

If you are not the current owner of the vehicle, please indicate this on the Owner Response Postcard and return the card to us.

**Who should you contact if you have further questions or concerns?**

Ginger Markus, Warranty Coordinator  
 Collins Bus Corporation  
 415 West 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
 South Hutchinson, KS 57505  
 (800) 533-1850, ext. 424  
 Email: [ginger.markus@collinsbus.com](mailto:ginger.markus@collinsbus.com)  
 Fax: (620) 662-3838

**If you are the lessor of this vehicle**, please forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days to comply with federal regulations.

If you have already paid to have your bus repaired for this condition, you may be eligible for reimbursement of the charges you paid for the repair or replacement of components. To learn more about what you need to do to obtain reimbursement, call (800) 533-1850. If after having attempted to take advantage of this recall you believe you have not been able to have your bus remedied without charge and within a reasonable amount of time, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E., Washington, D.C., 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>.

We apologize for any inconvenience this safety recall may cause, but your safety is our first concern.

Sincerely,

Collins Bus Corporation

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**COLLINS BUS NOTIFICATION PROGRAM**

Owner Response Postcard

VIN \_\_\_\_\_  
 Collins Unit Number \_\_\_\_\_

- This vehicle was inspected and repaired according to instructions
- This vehicle was inspected and determined to not need repair
- This vehicle was sold to: \_\_\_\_\_
- This vehicle was stolen
- This vehicle was destroyed

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_  
 State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

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**OWNER'S (OR FORMER OWNER'S) SIGNATURE**



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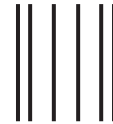
P.O. BOX 2946  
HUTCHINSON, KS 67504-2946

Collins Bus Corporation

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PO BOX 2946  
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