



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

June 26, 2013

Ginger Markus
Warranty Coordinator
Collins Bus Corporation
415 West 6th Street
South Hutchinson, KS 57505

NVS-215KS
13V-256

Subject: Wheelchair Lift Armored Cable Short Circuit

Dear Ginger Markus:

This letter serves to acknowledge Collins Bus Corporation's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) 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:
MID BUS/CSD-7450R-C/2006-2007

Mfr's Report Date: June 20, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V-256

Components:
EQUIPMENT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 17

Problem Description:

Collins Bus Corporation (Collins) is recalling certain model year 2006-2007 Mid Bus CSD-7450R-C buses manufactured September 11, 2006, through October 25, 2007 and equipped with a Ricon wheelchair lift with an optional armored pendant cable. The armored cable may be positioned such that it does not clear the wheelchair lift.

Consequence:

If the cable does not clear the wheel chair lift it may contact the power lug and if it does not have a nonconductive cover, or it has an improperly installed non-conductive cover, then a short circuit may occur that could result in a fire.

Remedy:

Collins will notify owners and instruct them to take their vehicle to their Mid Bus dealer where it will be inspected. If needed, Ricon will provide a supplemental cover kit and instructions free of charge. This recall campaign will begin in early July 2013. Owners may contact Collins at 1-800-533-1850 ext. 424, or Ricon at 1-800-322-2884.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

We have received Collin's 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:

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 Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

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

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