



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

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Mr. Tim Lafon
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Prevost Cars, Inc.
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NVS-215KS
13V-278

Subject: Tail Lamp Intensity/FMVSS 108

Dear Mr. Lafon:

This letter serves to acknowledge Prevost Cars, Inc.'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:

PREVOST/X3-45/2014
PREVOST/X3-45 LE MIRAGE COACH/2013

Mfr's Report Date: June 28, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V-278

Components:

EXTERIOR LIGHTING:TAIL LIGHTS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 27

Problem Description:

Prevost is recalling certain model year 2013 X3-45 Le Mirage Entertainer XL2 coach shells and certain model year 2014 X3-45 highway coaches manufactured October 9, 2012, through June 6, 2013. Improper voltage is being supplied to the tail lamps causing the brightness of the tail lamps to exceed the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 108, "Lamps, Reflective Devices, and Associated Equipment."

Consequence:

Drivers may mistake exceedingly bright tail lamps to be brake lamps confusing following drivers about the intention to brake, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Prevost will notify owners and dealers will update the lamp controller software to ensure the correct voltage is reaching the affected lamps, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Prevost's recall number is SR13-53. Owners may contact Prevost at 1-336-393-2233.

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.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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).

You are required to provide an estimated date including month, day, and year, when you will send notifications to owners, dealers, and distributors as soon as it becomes available. Please be reminded that it is expected owners will be notified of a safety defect in their vehicles within 60 days of a manufacturer's notification to NHTSA of a safety defect in those vehicles.

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