



National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
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Washington DC 20590

August 15, 2013

Attention: Cynthia Glass and/or Kelly Schuler

In accordance with CFR 49 Part 573, Transportation Collaborative Inc on behalf of the C.E. White Corporation has decided that a defect exists which relates to motor vehicle safety.

This report was e-mailed to NHTSA on August 15, 2013 to Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov, Cynthia.Glass@dot.gov, and RMD.ODI@dot.gov. In addition, a physical copy has been sent, via UPS. If there are any questions regarding the information I have submitted, please contact me at 845-988-2333.

Respectfully,

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Timothy Downey
Standards & Compliance
TransTech Bus a TCI Company





PART 573 Defects and Noncompliance Report

Revision: A

Report Date: August 5, 2013

I.

Transportation Collaborative Inc has decided to conduct a recall on behalf of the C.E White (Component Manufacturer). The defect exists on certain School Buses, equipped with flip-seat systems and manufactured between 2008 and 2010.

Vehicles not involved in the recall:

TransTech School Bus models, manufactured between 2008 until 2010 that are not confirmed to have affected serial numbers.

Vehicles involved in the recall:

TransTech School Bus models, manufactured between 2008 until 2010 that are confirmed to have affected serial numbers.

Approximate percentage of the total of vehicles estimated to actually contain the Defect:

100%

Vehicle population as of August 9, 2013:

| YEAR | MODEL | QTY. |
|----------------|--------------|-------------|
| 2008 | DW6159RLSST | 25 |
| 2009 | DW6159RLSST | 74 |
| 2010 | SC159DSFP600 | 1 |
| TOTALS: | | 100 |





Identify and describe how the original recall population was determined:

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TransTech Bus received notification from the C.E. White Corporation about a defect that exists within certain Flip Seat Systems manufactured between 2008 until 2010. Attached in the notification was a listing of serials, these were then traced back to original vehicle order files for analysis.

II.

Describe the Defect:

Specifically, we have determined that when the “Flip Seat” is located in a vehicle with an adjacent passenger seat located to the rear of the Flip Seat, it is possible for the occupant of the adjacent passenger seat to insert their toes and/or foot into the lower frame area of the Flip Seat located just forward. When this condition exists and a second vehicle passenger chooses to occupy the Flip Seat, pushing the seat bottom downward to the horizontal position and sitting on the seat. The occupant of the adjacent passenger seat located to the rear of the Flip Seat could suffer a pinch point injury to their toes and/or foot, as a result of this condition.

Describe the consequence of the Defect:

The consequence of the defect is a “toe-crush” scenario when an occupant may be injured.

Identify any warning, which can (A) Precede or (B) Occur:

There is no definitive warning that will precede failure of this component. Physical inspection of serial numbers is required for positive confirmation.

III.

With respect to a noncompliance, identify and provide the test results or other data (in chronological order and including dates) on which the defect was determined:

August 5, 2012 – TransTech Bus, a TCI Company, received notification of this defect via UPS and subsequently issued a Notification to the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration pursuant to CFR Part 573, and began to determine population metrics.

Identify the remedy:

Transportation Collaborative Inc will forward the information of the affected vehicles and dealers that sold the vehicles to the C.E. White Corporation.





Any cost incurred to the owners, purchasers and dealers of Vehicles affected by this recall number will be reimbursed by Transportation Collaborative Inc. within a reasonable time of the notifications. Transportation Collaborative Inc. reimburses customers and dealers within 30 days of the remedy.

Recall Schedule:

Upon approval of this report, Transportation Collaborative Inc. will notify the C.E. White Corporation of the affected customers by issuing end-user information of the affected models. This scheduled mailing will occur no later than August 26, 2013.

All questions regarding this recall should be addressed to:

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