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June 4, 2014

Nancy L. Lewis  
Associate Administrator for Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, D.C. 20590  
Attn: Recall Management Division

Subject: NABI Safety Recall #20143 – Steering Column Support

Dear Ms. Lewis:

Attached is a Vehicle Defect Initial Information Report, which is being submitted by NABI Bus, LLC pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Part 573.

The undersigned should be contacted for any additional information regarding this recall.

Sincerely,

NABI Bus, LLC (NABI)

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Allen", is written over the typed name.

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Enclosures

NABI Bus, LLC (NABI)

VEHICLE DEFECT  
INITIAL INFORMATION REPORT

**Date:** June 4, 2014

**NABI Recall No. 20143**

MAKE	MODEL	MODEL YEAR	NUMBER OF VEHICLES	MANUFACTURED DATES  FROM THROUGH	OTHER IDENTIFICATION NECESSARY TO DESCRIBE VEHICLE
NABI	31LFW	2012	39	4/27/12 12/16/12	Certain LFW city transit buses

Total Number of Vehicles: 39

Percent Potentially Containing Defect: 15% Estimated

NABI Bus, LLC (NABI)

NABI RECALL NO. 20143

VEHICLE DEFECT  
INITIAL INFORMATION REPORT

Certain LFW model city transit buses, manufactured by NABI Bus, LLC, may have a steering column support bracket that has not been properly installed.

**RISK TO MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY:** The steering column support bracket, which is welded to the dash assembly, may not be properly installed. If not installed properly, this support bracket may separate from the dash assembly, allowing the steering column to become loose. This could cause the driver to not be able to steer the vehicle properly and result in an accident.

1) CHRONOLOGY OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS WHICH LED TO DETERMINATION OF DEFECT:

- On or about May 22, 2014: NABI received a report of a potential loose steering column on a bus that was being serviced at a maintenance facility.
- On or about May 23, 2014: NABI initiated an investigation.
- May 29, 2014: NABI determined that this bracket may have been improperly installed on some buses built during this time period and decided to initiate a formal recall to inspect and repair any buses with this condition.
- There have been no reports of vehicle accidents or injuries as a result of this condition.

2) REMEDY EXPENSE: NABI will remedy all vehicles free of charge.

3) EARLIEST DATE TO BE REMEDIED: June, 2014.

4) PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: There will be no public announcement.

5) OWNER LETTER: The owner letter will be submitted to NHTSA for review and approval.