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Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
Attention: Recall Management Division
1200 New Jersey Avenue SW
Washington, D.C. 20590

In compliance with Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations - Defect and Noncompliance Reports, Champion Bus, Inc. is submitting information relating to a defect issue.

1. 573.6(c)(1) Vehicles affected are manufactured by:

Champion Bus Inc
321 Graham Road
Imlay City, MI 48444

2. 573.6(c)(2) The following vehicles contained non-compliant IMMI seat belt buckles :

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| 1FVACWDT2EHFY1083 | 1FVACWDT3EHFW6446 | 1FVACWDT3EHFX9570 |
| 1FVACWDT4EHFY1084 | 1FVACWDT5EHFW6447 | 1FVACWDT9EHFW6466 |
| 1FVACWDT6EHFY1085 | 1FVACWDT0EHFX0902 | 1FVACWDT1EHFX0858 |
| 1FVACWDT2EHFX0903 | 1FVACWDT4EHFV4038 | 1FVACWDT4EHFV6923 |
| 1FVACWDT4EHFX0899 | 1FVACWDT4EHFX0904 | 1FVACWDT6EHFX0905 |
| 1FVACWDT7EHFX0900 | 1FVACWDT8EHFU9473 | 1FVACWDT8EHFX0906 |
| 1FVACWDT9EHFX0901 | 1FVACWDT9EHFX1000 | 1FVACWDTXEHFW1303 |
| 1FVACWDT0EHFU9514 | 1FVACWDT6EHFV0420 | 1FVACWDT8EHFV0421 |
| 1FVACWDT9EHFV2405 | | |

3. 573.6(c)(3) The total number of vehicles involved in this recall:

Twenty five buses that contain the affected IMMI Seat Belt Buckles.

4. 573.6(c)(4) The approximate percentage of the total number of vehicles to contain non-compliant component: 100%

5. 573.6(c)(5) Description of the non-compliance:

Certain Indiana Mills and Manufacturing Inc., (IMMI) seat belt assemblies equipped with L9 buckles may not satisfy the requirements of S4.3(g) of FMVSS 209 Seat belt assemblies. When the push button on the buckle is pressed to release the latch plate for egress, the latch plate can become partially engaged with the buckle. In the event of an accident or emergency, occupants may be unable to exit the vehicle immediately and an injury could occur.



6. 573.6(c)(6) The following is a summary of the events that were the basis for determining the defect.

Champion bus received a letter from Daimler Trucks North America regarding the IMMI seat belt buckle recall.

7. 573.6(c)(7) Test results or data:

We have not conducted or received any test results or data.

8. 573.6(c)(8)(i) Defect corrective action:

Daimler Trucks North America (DTNA) will complete the remedy by replacing the buckles.

9. 573.6(c)(8)(ii) Correspondence to notify distributors and Customers of the safety recall:

DTNA contacted the affected owners.

10. 573.6(c)(11)

Champion Bus will refer to the number assigned by NHTSA to this campaign.

Should you need further information, please contact:

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