

**Part 573 Safety Recall Report****14V-742****Manufacturer Name :** Champion Bus, Inc.**Submission Date :** NOV 18,2014**NHTSA Recall No. :** 14V-742**Manufacturer Recall No. :** NR**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Champion Bus, Inc.

Address : 331 Graham Road

P.O. Box 158 Imlay City MI 48444

Company phone : 810-724-6474

**Population :**

Number of potentially involved : 1,229

Estimated percentage with defect : 3

**Vehicle Information :**

Vehicle : 2006-2014 Champion American, American Coach, American Crusader,

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM &amp; HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Equipped with Ricon S-Series Wheelchair lifts S2005, S2010, S5005, S5010, S5505, S5510

Production Dates : JAN 01, 2006 - JUL 31, 2014

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2006-2014 Champion Challenger, Corporal, Crusader

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM &amp; HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Champion Bus with Ricon S-Series Wheelchair lifts S2005, S2010, S5005, S5010, S5505, S5510

Production Dates : JAN 01, 2006 - JUL 31, 2014

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2006-2014 Champion CTS-FE, CTS-RE

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : With Ricon S-Series Wheelchair lifts S2005, S2010, S5005,S5010, S5505, S5510

Production Dates : JAN 01, 2006 - JUL 31, 2014

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2006-2014 Champion Defender

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : With Ricon S-Series Wheelchair lift S2005, S2010, S5005, S5010, S5505, S5510

Production Dates : JAN 01, 2006 - JUL 31, 2014

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2006-2014 Champion HCAC, HC American

Vehicle Type :

Body Style :

Power Train : NR

Descriptive Information : with Ricon S-Series Wheelchair Lifts  
S2005, S2010, S5005, S5010, S5505, S5510

Production Dates : JAN 01, 2006 - JUL 31, 2014

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2006-2014 Champion Platinum Shuttle

Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : With Ricon S-Series Wheelchair Lifts S200, S2010, S5005, S5010, S5505, S5510

Production Dates : JAN 01, 2006 - JUL 31, 2014

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

Not sequential VINs

Vehicle : 2006-2014 Champion Stacked Rail  
Vehicle Type : BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES  
Body Style : OTHER  
Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : With Ricon S-Series Wheelchair lifts S2005, S2010, S5005, S5010, S5505, S5510  
Production Dates : JAN 01, 2006 - JUL 31, 2014

**VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) Range**

Begin : NR

End : NR

 Not sequential VINs**Description of Defect :**

Description of the Defect : Certain Champion Buses are equipped with Ricon S-Series Wheelchair lifts. Ricon sent Champion a letter stating that certain S-Series Wheelchair lift models could exhibit cracking of the platform side plate while in the stowed position.

Description of the Safety Risk : If left unchecked the crack can propagate to the point where separation of the rear portion of the plate occurs rendering the lift inoperable and possibly unsafe for the the operator

Description of the Cause : NR

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : NR

**Supplier Identification :****Component Manufacturer**

Name : Ricon Corporation A Wabtec subsidiary

Address : 1135 Aviation Place

San Fernando CALIFORNIA 91340

Country : United States

**Chronology :**

Please See 14E-041

**Description of Remedy :**

Description of Remedy Program : Ricon will supply a supplemental platform bumper kit at no charge. The bumpers are fitted to the upper parallel arms and engage the sides of the platform when it is fully stowed. Ricon will replace any platforms where a crack has begun to propagate. Detailed instructions and drawings will be provided to the distributors and or customers performing repair.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : As of July 15, 2014 Ricon had production remedies in place to prevent these defects.

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : NR

Planned Dealer Notification Date : NOV 21, 2014 - NOV 30, 2014

Planned Owner Notification Date : NOV 30, 2014 - DEC 21, 2014

\* NR - Not Reported