



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

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Rick Van Laar  
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Navistar, Inc.  
2601 Navistar Drive  
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NVS-215KS  
15V-166

**Subject:** Improperly Seated Brake Chamber Diaphragm

Dear Mr. Van Laar:

This letter serves to acknowledge Navistar, 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:**

IC BUS/CE/2015-2016  
IC BUS/RE/2015-2016

**Mfr's Report Date:** March 18, 2015

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 15V-166

**Components:**

SERVICE BRAKES, AIR

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 68

**Problem Description:**

Navistar, Inc. (Navistar) is recalling certain model year 2015-2016 IC CE school buses manufactured August 8, 2014, to February 20, 2015, and 2015-2016 IC RE school buses manufactured July 31, 2014, to January 9, 2015, equipped with Haldex air brake actuators. The affected brake actuators may have been manufactured with an incomplete attachment of the internal rubber diaphragm to the actuation mechanism. This could cause dragging or overheated brakes.

**Consequence:**

If the brakes drag and overheat there is an increased risk of a wheel end fire.

**Remedy:**

Navistar will notify owners, and dealers will replace the Haldex Life Seal Brake chambers, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin May 18, 2015. Owners may contact Navistar customer service at 1-800-448-7825. Navistar's number for this recall is 15505. Note: This recall supersedes recall 14V808.

**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](http://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).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

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](mailto:kelly.schuler@dot.gov) or through the office email at [rmd.odi@dot.gov](mailto: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 the first name being the most prominent.

Jennifer Timian  
Chief, Recall Management Division  
Office of Defects Investigations  
Enforcement