



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Greg Larsen
Eldorado National-Kansas
1655 Wall Street
Salina, KS 67401

NEF-150MR
16V-447

Subject: Circuit Board May Break and cause Electrical Short

Dear Mr. Larsen:

This letter serves to acknowledge Eldorado National-Kansas'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:

ELDORADO/ADVANTAGE/2016
ELDORADO/AERO ELITE/2016
ELDORADO/AEROTECH/2016

Mfr's Report Date: June 17, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V-447

Components:

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Potential Number of Units Affected: 53

Problem Description:

Eldorado National-Kansas (Eldorado) is recalling certain model year 2016 Aerotech, Aero Elite, and Advantage shuttle buses manufactured March 4, 2016, to April 22, 2016 and built on Ford, Chevrolet, and Navistar chassis. These vehicles have a component in the electrical power distribution center that may break and result in electrical arcing.

Consequence:

Electrical arcing increases the risk of a fire.

Remedy:

Eldorado will notify owners, and dealers will replace the affected component within the power distribution center, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule. Owners may contact Eldorado customer service at 1-800-955-4236.

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.

We have received Eldorado's proposed owner notification letter and have approved it for distribution.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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).

You are required to provide an estimated date including month, day, and year, when you will send notifications to owners, dealers, and distributors as soon as it becomes available. Please be reminded that it is required that owners be notified of a safety defect in their vehicles within 60 days of a manufacturer's notification to NHTSA of a safety defect in those vehicles.

Per the requirements of 573.6(c)(2)(iv), please provide the supplier name, contact information, address and country of origin (if known) for the EP4 electrical power distribution board.

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 Michelle Rice who may be reached by phone at 202-366-1060, or by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



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