



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

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Mr. Rick Van Laar
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NEF-150KS
16V-452

Subject: Seat May Separate From the Base Frame

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/RE/2016

Mfr's Report Date: June 20, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V-452

Components:

SEATS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 5

Problem Description:

Navistar, Inc. (Navistar) is recalling certain model year 2016 IC Bus RE school buses manufactured January 25, 2016, to March 31, 2016, equipped with Freedman-brand passenger seats with integrated child seats (ICS). These seats may separate from the base frame due to bolt failure. As such these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 222, "School Bus Passenger Seating and Crash Protection."

Consequence:

In the event of a crash, the seat can separate from the base frame, increasing the risk of injury to the seat occupant.

Remedy:

Navistar has already completed the repair work on the affected vehicles, free of charge to owners. Owner notifications will not be sent. Owners may contact Navistar customer service at 1-331-332-1590.

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.

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports (or until the recall is 100% completed), 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 or through the office email at 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 more prominent.

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