



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

September 21, 2016

Mr. David Mihalick  
Bison Coach, LLC  
419 W Pike St  
Jackson Center, OH 45334

NEF-150MR  
16V-622

**Subject:** Battery Cable is not Fused

Dear Mr. Mihalick:

This letter serves to acknowledge Bison Coach, LLC'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:**

BISON/LAREDO/2015-2016  
BISON/PREMIERE/2015-2016  
BISON/RANGER/2015-2016  
BISON/SILVERADO/2015-2016  
BISON/TRAIL BOSS/2015-2016  
BISON/TRAIL HAND/2015-2016

**Mfr's Report Date:** August 23, 2016

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 16V-622

**Components:**

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:BATTERY  
ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:BATTERY:CABLES

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 654

**Problem Description:**

Bison Coach, LLC (Bison) is recalling certain model year 2015-2016 Premiere, Silverado, Laredo, Ranger, Trail Hand, and Trail Boss gooseneck horse trailers. The affected trailers do not have an inline fuse installed on the battery cable.

**Consequence:**

In the event of an electrical short circuit, the battery wiring could overheat, increasing the risk of a fire.

**Remedy:**

Bison has notified owners, and dealers will install a 30-amp inline fuse on the battery cable, free of charge. The recall began on September 15, 2016. Owners may contact Bison customer service at 1-574-658-4161. Bison's number for this recall is 9010.

**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:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall 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 Michelle Rice who may be reached by phone at 202-366-1060, or by email at [michelle.rice@dot.gov](mailto:michelle.rice@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 a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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