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January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
West Building  
Washington DC 20590

Attention: Kelly Schuler and/or Joshua Neff

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that Trans Tech Bus has been notified by the Specialty Manufacturing Incorporated (hereon known as "SMI") on Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015 of a potential product defect pertaining to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 571.131; "School Bus Pedestrian Safety Devices".

Trans Tech Bus is performing an internal investigation and preparing the population of affected vehicle population for submission to NHTSA. This report will be completed no later than Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Subsequently we will obtain contact information for the end users of the affected vehicles.

TransTech Bus is currently preparing a 573 Report, which will be completed no later than Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 and will be forwarded to NHTSA for review.

This report has been uploaded to the NHTSA servers on Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016. If there are any questions regarding the information that has been submitted, please contact Trans Tech Bus, Standard & Compliance Department at 845-988-2333 x206.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tim Downey".

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