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NHTSA # 16V-629 School Buses

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

This notice applies to your vehicle(s)

Subject: Ricon Chair Lift Platforms

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Daimler Trucks North America LLC (DTNA) has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Thomas Built Buses FS-65 school buses, Saf-T-Liner school buses and non-school buses, and Minotour DRW school buses and non-school buses manufactured July 15, 2014, through July 21, 2016 with certain Ricon Corporation S-Series lifts.

The holes in the folding link arms of the S-Series model wheelchair lift may be oversized. If the holes are left in an oversized condition, the bearings can move out of position, resulting in a substantial amount of free play in a stowed platform and increased load being applied to the platform mounting, and it may fail. A failed platform may result in possible personal injury.

The link arms will be inspected for damage or bearings that have moved out of position and for damage to the lift platform. If damage is found, Ricon Corporation will supply the link arms and/or platform at no cost.

This is a follow up to a previous communication. Our records indicate that your vehicle has not yet had this recall performed. Please make arrangements to have this repair done as soon as possible. If it has been completed, please disregard this letter.

To arrange for repairs, contact Ricon Corporation at (800) 322-2884 or admin16E020@wabtec.com as soon as possible. The Recall will take up to approximately an hour and will be performed at no charge to you.

If you have leased this vehicle to another person, federal regulations require you to send a copy of this notice to the lessee by first class mail within 10 days of your receipt of this notice.

For questions regarding this Recall, please contact Ricon Customer Service at (800) 322-2884. If you are not able to have the defect remedied without charge and within a reasonable time, you may wish to submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590; or call the Vehicle Safety Hotline at (888) 327-4236 (TTY: 800-424-9153); or to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

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