

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 17V-101

**Manufacturer Name :** Blue Bird Body Company

**Submission Date :** MAR 14, 2017

**NHTSA Recall No. :** 17V-101

**Manufacturer Recall No. :** R17YY-NSB



## Manufacturer Information :

## Population :

**Manufacturer Name :** Blue Bird Body Company

**Number of potentially involved :** 263

**Address :** P.O. Box 937  
402 Blue Bird Boulevard Fort Valley  
GA 31030

**Estimated percentage with defect :** NR

**Company phone :** 478-822-2242

## Vehicle Information :

**Vehicle 1 :** 2015-2018 Blue Bird Vision (Non-School Bus)

**Vehicle Type :** BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

**Body Style :** OTHER

**Power Train :** CNG/LPG

**Descriptive Information :** Blue Bird is issuing a recall to modify the mounting brackets on certain units equipped with a frame mounted battery box.

**Production Dates :** APR 26, 2014 - FEB 24, 2017

**VIN Range 1 : Begin :**

NR

**End :** NR

Not sequential

## Description of Defect :

**Description of the Defect :** The chassis mounted battery box support bracket(s) on certain Vision buses may develop cracks and allow the battery box to separate from the chassis.

**FMVSS 1 :** NR

**FMVSS 2 :** NR

**Description of the Safety Risk :** If both the battery box support brackets were to completely fail and detach from the bus, it could become a road hazard increasing the risk of a crash.

**Description of the Cause :** The design of the existing battery box support brackets may not be adequate in certain applications.

**Identification of Any Warning that can Occur :** If one of the support brackets completely fails, that side of the battery box may be suspended below the body skirt line and be visible.

**Supplier Identification :****Component Manufacturer**

Name : NR  
Address : NR  
NR  
Country : NR

**Chronology :**

July, 2016 - Received reports of units with battery tray support stress cracks.  
November, 2016 - Received additional reports of units with damaged support brackets.  
November 8, 2016 - Representative from Blue Bird visited customer location to inspect units and engineering analysis was initiated.  
January, 2017 - Received reports of frame mounted battery box failures.  
February 8, 2017 - A decision was made to issue a recall on affected units. No accidents or injuries have been reported as a result of this issue.

**Description of Remedy :**

Description of Remedy Program : The final remedy has not been determined at this time.  
How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : NR  
Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : NR

**Recall Schedule :**

Description of Recall Schedule : R17YY-NSB Vision Chassis Mounted Battery Box Supports  
Parts Anticipated to be Available: April, 2017  
Powertrain: CNG, Diesel, and Propane.  
Planned Dealer Notification Date : MAR 20, 2017 - MAR 20, 2017  
Planned Owner Notification Date : MAR 20, 2017 - MAR 20, 2017

\* NR - Not Reported