OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

18V-813

Manufacturer Name: ARBOC Specialty Vehicles, LLC

Submission Date: NOV 16, 2018 **NHTSA Recall No.:** 18V-813

Manufacturer Recall No.: NA



Manufacturer Information:

Manufacturer Name: ARBOC Specialty Vehicles, LLC

Address: 51165 Greenfield Parkway

Middlebury IN 46540

Company phone: 574-825-1720

Population:

Number of potentially involved : 70Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Vehicle Information:

Vehicle 1: 2015-2018 ARBOC SOF, SOM, SOI-P Vehicle Type: BUSES, MEDIUM & HEAVY VEHICLES

Body Style : OTHER Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information: Our vendor, Freedman Seating Company, notified us of their new Recall 18E-076. As

instructed we are filing to report this Recall. They are handling all instruction and reimbursement. ARBOC is only notifying dealers and customers affected. Freedman notified ARBOC of purchase orders affected and ARBOC then identified buses with this GO-ES Seat in them. Models affected, years built and quantities are Spirit of Mobility (SOM) 2016-1 Bus, 2017-52 Buses, 2018-8 Buses. Spirit of Freedom (SOF) 2015-1 Bus, 2017-5 Buses. Spirit of Independence-Pro Master (SOI-P) 2017-3 Buses. There are 70 buses affected in all. This GO-ES Foldaway Seat is a chosen option in

these buses.

Production Dates: SEP 22, 2015 - JUL 28, 2018

VIN Range 1: Begin: 1A9D05268F6925426 End: 1A9D06967J6925373 ✓ Not sequential

Description of Defect:

Description of the Defect: Provided from our vendor...Freedman Seating Company (FSC) has determined

that our GO-ES Foldaway Seat may have a defect which may increase the risk in occupant injury in the event of a vehicle collision. These seats may have been manufactured with a back frame weldment that is too narrow resulting in deformation of the seat back cushion dump mechanism which may cause it to malfunction. If this mechanism does malfunction the seat back cushion may not support the appropriate loading in the event of a front or rear vehicle collision.

FMVSS 1: 207 - Seating systems

FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: Provided from vendor. If this mechanism does malfunction the seat back

cushion may not support the appropriate loading in the event of a front or

rear vehicle collision.

Description of the Cause: Provided from vendor. These seats may have been manufactured with a back

frame weldment that is too narrow resulting in deformation of the seat back

cushion dump mechanism which may cause it to malfunction.

Identification of Any Warning None provided.

that can Occur:

Supplier Identification:

Component Manufacturer

Name: Freedman Seating Company

Address: 4545 W Augusta Blvd

Chicago ILLINOIS 60465

Country: United States

Chronology:

11-2-18-I was forwarded an e-mail from our purchasing dept. that had been sent to them notifying them of this Recall 18E-076. This is all ARBOC SV is aware of. We have not received a mailed notification.

Description of Remedy:

Description of Remedy Program: Dealers/Customers are to contact Freedman Seating Company.

How Remedy Component Differs Unknown. Freedman Seating Company should be contacted for direction.

from Recalled Component:

Identify How/When Recall Condition There are no buses in production at ARBOC SV that require this Recall to

was Corrected in Production: be completed.

Recall Schedule:

Description of Recall Schedule: Will mail notifications upon approval from NHTSA.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: NOV 19, 2018 - NOV 21, 2018 Planned Owner Notification Date: NOV 19, 2018 - NOV 21, 2018

* NR - Not Reported