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IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE

NHTSA Recall Number: 18V-884 School Bus
NHTSA Recall Number: 18V-885 Non-School Bus

DATE: February 7, 2019
TO: U.S. DEALERS
SUBJECT: RECALL R19ZV – Vision Transmission Shifter Cable and Brake Line Routing with Ford 6.8L V10 Engines

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

This important safety recall notice applies to your buses identified by both Blue Bird Body Number and Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the attached pink reply sheet.

Blue Bird Body Company is recalling certain model year 2013 to 2020 Vision School Buses manufactured from January 24, 2012 through September 27, 2018 and certain model year 2016 to 2020 Vision Non-School Buses manufactured from September 24, 2014 through September 18, 2018. On certain Blue Bird Vision buses equipped with Ford 6.8L V10 engines, the hydraulic brake lines and/or transmission shifter cable may have been incorrectly routed and could come into contact with surrounding components. The brake lines may be routed in close proximity to the exhaust manifold of the engine, which could expose the lines to excessive heat and premature failure causing brake fluid to leak onto the manifold. On gasoline fueled buses, if the transmission shifter cable were to rub against the engine fuel supply line it could result in a fuel leak. Both issues could increase the risk of fire, causing injury and/or damage to property.

To correct this condition, Dealers will install a bracket to insulate the brake lines from heat and reroute the transmission shifter cable away from the fuel lines.

Blue Bird will reimburse the labor cost of the repairs related to this recall at no cost to you the Dealer or to the vehicle owner. The standard repair time (SRT) to accomplish these repairs in accordance with the R19ZV installation procedure is 0.5 hours.

If Blue Bird's records indicate bus(es) subject to this recall were delivered in your service area, a list of affected bus(es) will be enclosed. The bus(es) will be identified by Blue Bird Body Number and Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the enclosed pink reply cover sheet. **Dealers should verify correct owners and assure that complete mailing and shipping addresses are provided for each listed owner.**

It is the dealer's responsibility to verify that the correct owner name, address, and telephone number is provided for each listed vehicle. Any corrections or updates should be made in ClaimsCenter. Addresses that cannot be updated should be forwarded to the Recall Administrator.

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

Dealers are reminded of their responsibilities under Section 154 of The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1991. Dealers are required to complete modifications on units in their inventory before delivering to the final owner. Reference Blue Bird Body Company Distributor Memo No. 42-92.



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If you have in your possession or have sold a bus that was purchased from another dealer that may be affected by this recall, please notify Lisa Hancock at 478-822-2242 or lisa.hancock@blue-bird.com. Questions regarding this recall campaign should be directed to Lisa Hancock, as well.

Sincerely,

Lisa Hancock

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