

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

March 27, 2019

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1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Roof Hatch Glass may Shatter

Dear Mr. Stone:

This letter serves to acknowledge Specialty Manufacturing Co.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

# Makes/Models/Model Years:

TRANSPEC/GLASS ROOF HATCH/9999

**Mfr's Report Date:** February 27, 2019

NHTSA Campaign Number: 19E-017

**Components:** 

STRUCTURE:BODY:DOOR/WINDOW:EMERGENCY EXIT

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 348

# **Problem Description:**

Specialty Manufacturing Co. (Specialty) is recalling certain Transpec T287X Series glass roof hatches. Temperature and vibration stresses may cause the tempered glass roof hatch to shatter.

# **Consequence:**

If the tempered glass roof hatch shatters, glass fragments may fall onto passengers, increasing the risk of an injury.

## Remedy

Specialty will notify the affected bus manufacturers, and dealers for those companies will replace the hatch lids, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in March 2019. Owners may contact Specialty customer service at 1-800-951-7867.

## **Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.



Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to Specialty instructions.

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-1060, or by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Kareem Habib

Acting Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

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