

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE NHTSA Recall Number: 19V-795 School Bus NHTSA Recall Number: 19V-796 Non-School Bus

DATE: March 6, 2020

SUBJECT: RECALL R19AI – Service Brake Switch Bracket Deformation on Driver Control Module (Hydraulic Brake)

Dear Blue Bird Owner:

This important safety recall notice applies to your bus(es) identified by both Blue Bird Body Number and Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the enclosed yellow cover sheet. If you no longer own the subject bus(es), please complete the appropriate section of the yellow coversheet and return to Blue Bird in the enclosed pink postage prepaid envelope.

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

This notification applies only to hydraulic brake buses previously affected by this campaign. If your VIN population also includes air brake buses, an additional letter will be provided, when parts are available.

Blue Bird Body Company has performed additional data analysis and testing on the hydraulic brake switch assembly. It was determined that hydraulic brake switch brackets are not susceptible to the failure mode present in air brake applications. Therefore, Blue Bird is removing model year 2013 to 2020 hydraulic brake Blue Bird Vision School Buses equipped with Ford engines manufactured from January 24, 2012 through May 24, 2019 and model year 2016 to 2020 Blue Bird Vision Non-school Buses manufactured from September 24, 2014 through February 7, 2019. All submitted requests for hydraulic parts will be removed from the parts orders received.

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

Please contact your local Blue Bird Dealer with any questions regarding this recall campaign.

If Blue Bird Body Company should fail to or is unable to remedy this condition without charge to you, you may contact:

ADMINISTRATOR NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION 1200 NEW JERSEY AVENUE, SE WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590 Or, you may call The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration toll free at: 1-888-327-4236 TTY 1-800-424-9153 or go to: http://www.safercar.gov

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