

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

July 22, 2021

Mr. Gerard Hones Prevost Cars, Inc. 7900 National Service Road Greensboro, NC 27409 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-107MR 21V-485

Subject: Seat Attachment Improperly Clamped/FMVSS 210

Dear Mr. Hones:

This letter serves to acknowledge Prevost Cars, Inc.'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:

PREVOST/X3-45 COMMUTER/2021

Mfr's Report Date: June 28, 2021

NHTSA Campaign Number: 21V-485

Components:

SEAT BELTS: CRITICAL FASTENERS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 56

Problem Description:

Prevost Cars, Inc. (Prevost) is recalling certain 2021 X3 Commuter Coach buses. The passenger seats may have an attachment improperly clamped to the wall rail on the outboard side. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 210, "Seat Belt Assembly Anchorages."

Consequence:

Unsecured seats may not properly restrain occupants during a crash, increasing the risk of injury.

Remedy:

Prevost will provide instructions to inspect and replace the seat belt clamp, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed August 13, 2021. Owners may contact Prevost's customer service at 1-866-870-2046. Prevost's number for this recall is SR SR21-308.

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.nhtsa.gov.



Please ensure the following requirements are met:

Your company's program shall include a plan for reimbursing an owner or purchaser who incurred costs to obtain a remedy for the problem addressed by the recall within a reasonable time in advance of your company's notification of owners, purchasers and dealers, in accordance with § 573.13. Your company's plan may incorporate by reference a general reimbursement plan it previously submitted to NHTSA, together with information specific to the individual recall. Information required by § 573.13 that is not in a general reimbursement plan shall be submitted in your company's report to NHTSA. If your company submits one or more general reimbursement plans, your company shall update each plan every two years (§ 573.13). If the vehicles are new and would be covered under the manufacturer's warranty program, please state that in the remedy section of your filing.

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

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).

Under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a), it is illegal for anyone, including a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or retailer to sell an item of equipment or vehicle that fails to comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

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.

Prevost Cars, Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

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