

***** IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL *****
NHTSA Recall No. 21E-033

April 26, 2021

Blue Bird Corporation
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Dear Cummins OEM Customer:

We are writing to inform you that Cummins Inc. has determined that a safety-related defect exists in certain PowerDrive EV Electric Drivetrains that were manufactured between June 1, 2018 and February 23, 2021. Cummins has initiated a recall of the subject systems. Our records indicate that some of these systems have been shipped to you.

A copy of Cummins' initial Part 573 Defect Notification report is enclosed. This notification was submitted to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) on April 20, 2021. As more fully described in the Defect Notification, the Electric Drivetrain system may cause a loss of electrically assisted power steering. If this occurs, it may increase the risk of a crash.

Enclosed is a list of the affected systems that our records indicate were shipped to your plants. For systems installed in vehicles that have left your control, we encourage you to make a safety defect determination in accordance with 49 USC 30118 *et seq.* and, as appropriate, to submit a Defect Notification to NHTSA in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573. Cummins will conduct the recall, including notifying owners pursuant to 49 CFR Part 577, performing the remedy, and submitting quarterly status reports to NHTSA. Cummins is requesting that you provide the associated vehicle model identification, VINs and owner contact information to facilitate owner notification. Please work with your Cummins account team leader to ensure that the requested information is provided to Cummins as soon as possible.

For systems/vehicles that are still in your inventory, please contact [REDACTED] on 812-[REDACTED] to arrange for repairs, as necessary. Please note that Federal law prohibits delivery of these systems, or vehicles equipped with these systems, under a sale or lease until this condition has been remedied.

Cummins will conduct a safety campaign to address this condition. Cummins is developing the remedy plan and will communicate it as soon as it is available.

Cummins apologizes for this inconvenience, but we are initiating this action in the interest of our customers' safety and satisfaction with our products. Thank you for your assistance.

Please confirm receipt of this communication.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

1. Cummins Part 573 Defect Notification
2. List of Electric Drivetrain systems