



U.S. Department of Transportation  
**National Highway Traffic Safety  
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, DC 20590

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Ms. Marie Claude Gagnon  
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Corp. Micro Bird, Inc.  
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NEF-107MR  
22V-396

**Subject:** Bracket May Interfere with Seat Belt Pretensioner

Dear Ms. Gagnon:

This letter serves to acknowledge Corp. Micro Bird, 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:**

MICRO BIRD/G5/2017-2018

**Mfr's Report Date:** June 6, 2022

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 22V-396

**Components:**

SEAT BELTS:PRETENSIONER  
SEATS:CRITICAL FASTENERS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 3

**Problem Description:**

Corp. Micro Bird Inc. (Micro Bird) is recalling certain 2017-2018 G5 school buses equipped with an elevated floor and electrically adjustable driver's seat. An incorrect bracket may have been installed on the driver's seat and may interfere with the seat belt pretensioner.

**Consequence:**

An impaired seat belt pretensioner may not tighten the seat belt as intended, increasing the risks of injury during a crash.

**Remedy:**

Micro Bird Corp will provide instructions for inspecting the driver's seat. If the incorrect bracket is found, dealers will replace the bracket, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed July 25, 2022. Owner's may contact Micro Bird customer service at 1-819-477-2012. Micro Bird's number for this recall is 22-093-CUC.

**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](http://www.nhtsa.gov).

We have received Micro Bird's proposed owner notification letter and have approved it for distribution.



**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:

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).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of eight 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.

Corp. Micro Bird, Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Michelle Rice who may be reached by email at [michelle.rice@dot.gov](mailto:michelle.rice@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,



Alex Ansley  
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Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement