

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

July 19, 2022

Ms. Pascale Belanger Prevost Car (US) Inc. 260 Banker road Plattsburgh, NY 12901 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-107MR 22V-495

Subject: Bolt Missing From Rear Passenger Bench/FMVSS 210

Dear Ms. Belanger:

This letter serves to acknowledge Prevost Car (US) 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: July 11, 2022

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-495

Components:

SEATS: CRITICAL FASTENERS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 30

Problem Description:

Prevost Car (US) Inc. (Prevost) is recalling certain 2021 X3-45 commuter buses. One bolt that secures the rear bench seat frame to the body of the vehicle was not installed during the manufacturing process. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 210, "Seat Belt Assembly Anchorages."

Consequence:

During a crash, the rear seats could separate from the vehicle, increasing the risk of an injury.

Remedy:

Dealers will install the missing bolt, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed on August 22, 2022. Owners may contact Prevost's customer service at 1-866-870-2046.

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:

A description of the manufacturer's program for remedying the defect or noncompliance (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(8)(i)).

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 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.

Prevost Car (US) 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

Enforcement

