#### OMB Control No.: 2127-0004

# Part 573 Safety Recall Report

# 22V-714

**Manufacturer Name:** Corp. Micro Bird, Inc.

**Submission Date:** MAR 29, 2023 NHTSA Recall No.: 22V-714 Manufacturer Recall No.: 22-096-VUC



#### **Manufacturer Information:**

Manufacturer Name: Corp. Micro Bird, Inc.

Address: 3000, Rue Girardin

Drumondville, Quebec 00 J2E 0A1

Company phone: 819-477-2012

# **Population:**

Number of potentially involved: Estimated percentage with defect: 100 %

#### Vehicle Information:

Vehicle 1: 2013-2022 Micro Bird G5

Vehicle Type: **Body Style:** Power Train: NR

Descriptive Information: In certain vehicles, the power cable alimenting the air conditioning control board may

have a loose connection to the power stud on the board

Production Dates: DEC 05, 2012 - AUG 15, 2022

VIN Range 1: Begin: NR End: NR Not sequential

Vehicle 2: 2012-2015 Micro Bird MBII

Vehicle Type: **Body Style:** Power Train: NR

Descriptive Information: In certain vehicles, the power cable alimenting the air conditioning control board may

have a loose connection to the power stud on the board

Production Dates: DEC 16, 2011 - NOV 17, 2016

VIN Range 1 : Begin : NR End: NR Not sequential

Vehicle 3: 2015-2019 Micro Bird T-Series

Vehicle Type: **Body Style:** Power Train: NR

Descriptive Information: In certain vehicles, the power cable alimenting the air conditioning control board may

have a loose connection to the power stud on the board

Production Dates: MAY 13, 2015 - JUL 13, 2020

VIN Range 1: Begin: End: NR Not sequential NR

#### **Description of Defect:**

Description of the Defect: The power cable alimenting the air conditioning control board may have a

loose connection to the power stud on the board.

FMVSS 1: NR FMVSS 2: NR

Description of the Safety Risk: If the connection of the power cable is loose, there may be a localized

excessive heat dissipation, that may cause the control board to melt or even

catch fire.

Description of the Cause: NR
Identification of Any Warning NR
that can Occur:

### **Involved Components:**

Component Name 1: Valeo A/C system

Component Description: NR
Component Part Number: NR

#### **Supplier Identification:**

#### **Component Manufacturer**

Name: Valeo Thermal Commercial Vehicles North

Address: 22150 Challenger Drive

Elkhart Indiana 46514

**Country: United States** 

# **Chronology:**

Following reports in October 2021 regarding localized heat damages to the air conditioning control board and fire event in two (2) vehicles, an investigation was launched to determine the source of the incidents. Other reports were also received on June 16, August 19, and September 15, 2022

It was determined, from the location of the damage on the board that the power cable connection to the power stud was implicated. Following the incidents reported in August and September 2022, it was determined that the connection between the power cable and the power stud becoming loose was probably the cause of the damages and fire incidents.

It was decided on September 16, to recall the vehicles equipped with a Valeo air conditioning system installed in the front and rear cap or mounted on the ceiling, for which the power cable was either connected or reconnected to the power stud during vehicle manufacture.

Micro Bird has not received any other report of incident or claim regarding this defect.

# **Description of Remedy:**

Description of Remedy Program: Micro Bird Corporation will provide parts and instructions on how to

correct the defect, at no charge. The correction consists in redirecting the power cable, if necessary, and securing the connection of the power cable to the control board. It will be the responsibility of the bus owners to contact a Micro Bird dealer to have their vehicle(s) corrected, at no charge.

Owners who have incurred costs to obtain a remedy for the defect addressed by this recall campaign within a reasonable time in advance of notification, may submit their claims to Micro Bird. Reimbursement, in

part or in full, will be provided upon approval of the claim.

How Remedy Component Differs NR

from Recalled Component:

Identify How/When Recall Condition After Septembre 21, 2022, vehicles have either been corrected before

was Corrected in Production: delivery or manufactured with the correct connection procedure.

## **Recall Schedule:**

Description of Recall Schedule: Micro Bird will send dealers' notification by email and owners' written

notification by mail

Planned Dealer Notification Date : OCT 17, 2022 - OCT 28, 2022 Planned Owner Notification Date : NOV 14, 2022 - NOV 22, 2022

\* NR - Not Reported