

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

December 4, 2023

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

NEF-107HG 23V-805

Subject: Obstructed Sensor May Cause Unexpected Braking

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/H3-45/2024 PREVOST/H3-45 VIP/2022-2024

**Mfr's Report Date:** December 1, 2023

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23V-805

#### **Components:**

FORWARD COLLISION AVOIDANCE: AUTOMATIC EMERGENCY BRAKING STRUCTURE:BODY:BUMPERS

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 183

#### **Problem Description:**

Prevost Car (US) Inc. (Prevost) is recalling certain 2024 H3-45 and 2022-2024 H3-45 VIP motorcoaches equipped with Prevost Driver Assist. The radar sensor may be obstructed by an incorrect front bumper trim panel, causing the driver assist system to not function properly.

### **Consequence:**

A driver assist system that does not function properly may engage the brakes unexpectedly or fail to engage the brakes as intended, increasing the risk of a crash.

# Remedy:

Prevost will inspect and replace the front bumper panel as necessary, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed January 24, 2024. Owners may contact Prevost customer service at 1-866-870-2046. Prevost's number for this recall is SR23-43.

## **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 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).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in 49 U.S.C. § 30118(f), submission of eight consecutive quarterly reports followed by three annual reports is required. As described in 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. The first of three consecutive annual status reports will be due on, or before, 1 year after the eighth quarterly report was submitted.

Prevost Car (US) Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Hensly Guerra who may be reached by email at hensly.guerra1@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

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