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National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

26V460

Manufacturer Name: International Motors, LLC

Submission Date: Jul 16, 2026

NHTSA Recall No.: 26V460

Manufacturer Recall No.: 26511

Manufacturer Information

Population

Manufacturer Name: International Motors, LLC

Address: 2701 Navistar Drive
Lisle IL, 60532

Total number of potentially involved: 22,730

Estimated percentage with defect: 87%

Vehicle Information

Vehicle 1: 2027-2027 IC BUS EVSB

Product Category: Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles

Product Type: School Bus

Fuel / Propulsion: Electric Battery Power

Production Dates: Jan 06, 2026 - May 14, 2026

Number of potentially involved: 205

Descriptive Information:

The suspect population was identified by certain vehicles built 02/05/2024 thru 05/14/2026. All other similar vehicles, which are not subject to this recall, are excluded.

The vehicles in the suspect population were identified by their build dates and feature codes.

Vehicle 2: 2026-2026 IC BUS EVSB

Product Category: Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles

Product Type: School Bus

Fuel / Propulsion: Electric Battery Power

Production Dates: Oct 08, 2025 - Dec 23, 2025

Number of potentially involved: 61

Descriptive Information:

The suspect population was identified by certain vehicles built 02/05/2024 thru 05/14/2026. All other similar vehicles, which are not subject to this recall, are excluded.

The vehicles in the suspect population were identified by their build dates and feature codes.

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26V460**Vehicle 3:** 2025-2025 IC BUS EVSB**Product Category:** Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles**Product Type:** School Bus**Fuel / Propulsion:** Electric Battery Power**Production Dates:** Feb 08, 2024 - Oct 21, 2024**Number of potentially involved:** 11**Descriptive Information:**

The suspect population was identified by certain vehicles built 02/05/2024 thru 05/14/2026. All other similar vehicles, which are not subject to this recall, are excluded.

The vehicles in the suspect population were identified by their build dates and feature codes.

Vehicle 4: 2027-2027 IC BUS CESB**Product Category:** Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles**Product Type:** School Bus**Fuel / Propulsion:** Compression Ignition Fuel**Production Dates:** Oct 08, 2025 - Jun 08, 2026**Number of potentially involved:** 5,495**Descriptive Information:**

The suspect population was identified by certain vehicles built 02/05/2024 thru 05/14/2026. All other similar vehicles, which are not subject to this recall, are excluded.

The vehicles in the suspect population were identified by their build dates and feature codes.

Vehicle 5: 2026-2026 IC BUS CESB**Product Category:** Buses, Medium & Heavy Vehicles**Product Type:** School Bus**Fuel / Propulsion:** Compression Ignition Fuel**Production Dates:** Oct 01, 2024 - Oct 29, 2025**Number of potentially involved:** 11,133**Descriptive Information:**

The suspect population was identified by certain vehicles built 02/05/2024 thru 05/14/2026. All other similar vehicles, which are not subject to this recall, are excluded.

The vehicles in the suspect population were identified by their build dates and feature codes.

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The suspect population was identified by certain vehicles built 02/05/2024 thru 05/14/2026. All other similar vehicles, which are not subject to this recall, are excluded.

The vehicles in the suspect population were identified by their build dates and feature codes.

Defect / Noncompliance Description

Description of the defect or noncompliance:

Certain school buses fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 221 Section 5.1, "School Bus Body Joint Strength." The driver's window panel and entrance door vertical joints may have been produced without sufficient epoxy coverage.

FMVSS1: 221 - School bus body joint strength**FMVSS2:****Description of the safety risk, including crash, fire, death, injury:**

In the event of a crash, the exterior joint may separate, increasing the risk of injury to occupants in the vicinity of the affected joint(s).

Description of the cause:**Identification of any warning that can occur:**

None.

Component Manufacturer

Tier of Supplier: Tier 1**Supplier Type:** OEM**Name:** Martinrea International Tulsa

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Address: 1110 W Tenkiller Rd
Catoosa OK, 74015

Country: United States

Involved Components

Component Name 1: Epoxy

Component Description: Adhesive Epoxy

Component Part Number: N/A

Chronology

06/11/2026: During a supplier process review, it was observed that epoxy was not fully applied on the driver's side joint on a particular joint sample.

06/12/2026 – 06/16/2026: Based on this observation, IC Bus started an investigation. The investigation included an assessment of additional material produced during 2025 and found some panels were produced without sufficient epoxy. Pull-testing was performed on samples with and without sufficient epoxy, which initially suggested samples without sufficient epoxy may not meet FMVSS 221 joint strength requirements. IC Bus implemented a delivery stop for potentially impacted buses at the plant while the investigation proceeded and test results could be further analyzed. During this time, IC Bus also determined that panels on buses manufactured prior to February of 2024 were of a different design and manufacturing process.

06/16/2026 – 07/07/2026: IC Bus continues investigation in coordination with panel supplier and found no issues with the application and mixing process of epoxy at the supplier location in current production. Panel supplier also evaluates and determines that it is unable to develop a method for determining the presence of epoxy on built buses without destructive analysis.

07/08/2026: IC Bus finalizes the suspect population.

07/09/2026: IC Bus's Product Safety Committee reviews the issue and data produced during the investigation, determines a non-compliance exists and votes to declare recall.

Related NHTSA Recall Number:

Description of Remedy

Remedy Type: Repair

Consumer Advisories: ☐ Do Not Drive ☐ Park Outside

Description of remedy program:

The remedy will involve installing reinforcement rivets along the driver's side window seam and

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entrance door seam.

How remedy component differs from recalled component:

N/A

Identify how/when recall condition was corrected in production:

See chronology.

Reimbursement Plan

Manufacturer used general reimbursement plan on file.

Recall Schedule

Description of recall schedule:

When parts are available, remedy instructions and owner notifications will be distributed. Tentative schedule as indicated.

Planned Dealer Notification Date: Sep 07, 2026 - Sep 07, 2026

☐ No Dealers

Planned Interim Owner Notification Date:

☐ No Owners

Planned Remedy Owner Notification Date: Sep 14, 2026 - Sep 14, 2026

☐ Phased Recall

Date when VIN will be searchable: Sep 07, 2026