

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

November 9, 2017

Rick Van Laar Product Integrity and Compliance Manager Navistar, Inc. 2601 Navistar Drive Lisle, IL 60532

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**Subject:** Seat Belt Mount Rod May Fracture/FMVSS 210

Dear Rick Van Laar:

This letter serves to acknowledge Navistar, 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.

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

NEF-150KS

17V-659

#### Makes/Models/Model Years:

IC BUS/CE/2017 IC BUS/RE/2016-2017

Mfr's Report Date: October 18, 2017

NHTSA Campaign Number: 17V-659

# **Components:**

SEAT BELTS: FRONT: ANCHORAGE

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 47

## **Problem Description:**

Navistar, Inc. (Navistar) is recalling certain 2017 IC Bus CE and 2016-2017 IC Bus RE school buses, equipped with certain IMMI school bus seat assemblies equipped with 3-point lap and shoulder belts. Under load, the seat belt buckle mount rod can fracture. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 210, "Seat Belt Assembly Anchorages."

### **Consequence:**

In the event of a crash, if the buckle mount rod fractures, the seat occupant may not be restrained, increasing their risk of injury.

#### Remedy:

Navistar will notify owners, and dealers will replace the 3-point seat belt rods, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin December 15, 2017. Owners may contact Navistar customer service at 1-331-332-1590. Navistar's number for this recall is 17512.

# **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.safercar.gov.



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.

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).

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

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Timian

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigations

Enforcement

