



U.S. Department of Transportation
**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Mr. Timothy Nalepka
Vice President and General Counsel
Motor Coach Industries
200 E. Oakton Street
Des Plaines, IL 60018

NEF-150MR
18V-309

Subject: Exhaust Bellow Pipes may Leak Exhaust

Dear Mr. Nalepka:

This letter serves to acknowledge Motor Coach Industries'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:

MCI/D4000/2011-2016
MCI/D4000ISTV/2011-2016
MCI/D4005/2011-2016
MCI/D4500/2011-2016
MCI/D4505/2011-2016

Mfr's Report Date: May 13, 2018

NHTSA Campaign Number: 18V-309

Components:

ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING:EXHAUST SYSTEM
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Potential Number of Units Affected: 1,105

Problem Description:

Motor Coach Industries (MCI) is recalling certain 2011-2016 D4500, D4505, D4000, D4005, and D4000 ISTV motor coaches equipped with ISX engines. Due to vibrations, the exhaust bellow pipes develop a hole.

Consequence:

If the pipe develops a hole, during a regeneration cycle, hot exhaust gases may leak out, increasing the risk of a fire.

Remedy:

MCI will notify owners, and dealers will replace the bellows pipe assembly with an improved part, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin June 15, 2018. Owners may contact MCI customer service at 1-800-241-2947.

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.

Please verify that this filing supersedes NHTSA recalls 13V-142 and 17V-337, and that the earlier recalls should be closed out.

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 Michelle Rice who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-1060, or by email at michelle.rice@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement