



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

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Mr. Fred Imundo
Compliance Coordinator
Navistar, Inc.
2701 Navistar Dr.
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NEF-150MR
18V-598

Subject: Improperly Crimped Brake Chamber

Dear Mr. Imundo:

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.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

IC BUS/CE/2019
IC BUS/RE/2019

Mfr's Report Date: September 7, 2018

NHTSA Campaign Number: 18V-598

Components:

SERVICE BRAKES, AIR

Potential Number of Units Affected: 777

Problem Description:

Navistar, Inc. (Navistar) is recalling certain 2019 IC Bus CE and RE school buses equipped with long stroke brake chambers and spring actuated parking brakes. The spring actuated parking brake may be improperly crimped to the long stroke service brake chamber, causing a service brake air leak and the possible separation of the spring brake chamber from the service brake section.

Consequence:

If there is an air leak or separation of the spring brake chamber, it can lengthen the distance needed to stop the vehicle, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Navistar will notify owners, and dealers will replace the brake chamber assembly, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin November 6, 2018. Owners may contact Navistar customer service at 1-800-448-7825. Navistar's number for this recall is 18513.

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.

The general reimbursement plan that we have on file for your company is more than two years old. Please update your plan per the requirements of §573.13.

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 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".

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