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IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL NOTICE (Interim Notice)

NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-579 (School Bus)
NHTSA Campaign Number: 22V-578 (Non-School Bus)

DATE: September 20, 2022

TO: U.S. DEALERS

SUBJECT: R22BX: Roush Zinc Plated Return Line Fittings

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

This important safety recall notice applies to your buses identified by both Blue Bird Body Number and Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the attached yellow cover sheet.

Blue Bird Body Company is voluntarily recalling the following:

- Certain model year 2017-2023 Blue Bird Vision School Buses
 - o manufactured from June 11, 2016 through July 27, 2022
- Certain model year 2018-2023 Blue Bird Vision Non-School Buses
 - o manufactured from November 30, 2016 through July 6, 2022

On the subject buses, it has been determined a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Blue Bird Propane Vision School and Non-School Buses equipped with Ford 6.8L and 7.3L engines that have been modified by the addition of a ROUSH CleanTech ("ROUSH") Gen 4 or Gen 5 LPG fuel system. The zinc plated carbon steel fitting on the fuel return line on some of these vehicles may corrode over time due to exposure to salt spray, particularly where impacts from road debris have damaged the protective coating that had been applied to the fitting. Such corrosion could lead to a failure of the fuel return line fitting, which would result in a leak of liquid propane fuel, increasing the risk of a fire with the affected units.

The corrosion at issue occurs only in the presence of significant amounts of road salt. This notice applies only to vehicles originally or currently registered in the following states: Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. According to our records, an LPG system covered by this recall was installed on the referenced vehicle.

Corrective Action:

ROUSH will replace the fuel return line on the customer's vehicle with a redesigned part(s) at no cost to the Dealer or the vehicle owner. However, despite ROUSH's best efforts, replacement parts are not currently available. Parts for this recall are anticipated to be available on or before March 31, 2023. As soon as parts are available, Blue Bird Campaigns Administration will notify you again, when the parts are available.

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What You Should Do:

- Once you have been notified by Blue Bird Campaigns Administration, obtain the customer's vehicle information and open a case with ROUSH CleanTech requesting parts for the repair. This can be done in two ways:
 - a. After obtaining the customer's vehicle information, log into the ROUSH CleanTech Service portal and open a warranty case (https://rctws.force.com/rct/s/technical-support)
 - **b.** After obtaining the customer's vehicle information, e-mail all details to support@ROUSHCleanTech.com
- 2. When replacement parts are available, please perform the procedure in the work instructions provided by Blue Bird and ROUSH CleanTech.

For any questions or concerns regarding this recall, please contact ROUSH CleanTech via phone at 1-800-59-ROUSH (Option 2) or via e-mail at support@roushcleantech.com

Return Line Part Numbers and Standard Labor Repair Times:

Return Line Part Numbers:

Generation	Wheelbase	Part Number	
Bluebird G5	169	P-10R430-AA-4826	
Bluebird G5	189	P-10R430-AA-5334	
Bluebird G5	217	P-10R430-AA-6045	
Bluebird G5	238	P-10R430-AA-6579	
Bluebird G5	252	P-10R430-AA-6934	
Bluebird G5	273	P-10R430-AA-7467	
Bluebird G5	280	P-10R430-AA-7645	
Bluebird G4	169	P-10R400-B-4593	
Bluebird G4	189	P-10R400-B-5101	
Bluebird G4	217	P-10R400-B-5812	
Bluebird G4	238	P-10R400-B-6345	
Bluebird G4	252	P-10R400-B-6701	
Bluebird G4	273	P-10R400-B-7234	
Bluebird G4	280	P-10R400-B-7431	

Standard Labor Repair Times:

Labor Code	Wheelbase	Approved Time
RCTL22A	Replace Return Line for Gen 4	1.5 hours
RCTL22B	Replace Return Line for Gen 5	1 hour

If Blue Bird's records indicate bus(es) subject to this recall were delivered in your service area, a list of affected bus(es) will be enclosed. The bus(es) will be identified by Blue Bird Body Number and Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the enclosed yellow cover sheet. **Dealers should verify correct owners and assure that complete mailing and shipping addresses are provided for each listed owner.**



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It is the dealer's responsibility to verify that the correct owner name, address, and telephone number is provided for each listed vehicle. Any corrections or updates should be made in ClaimsCenter. Addresses that cannot be updated should be forwarded to the Recall Administrator.

Federal law requires that any vehicle lessor receiving this recall notice must forward a copy of this notice to the lessee within ten days.

Dealers are reminded of their responsibilities under Section 154 of The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1991. Dealers are required to complete modifications on units in their inventory before delivering to the final owner. Reference Blue Bird Body Company Distributor Memo No. 42-92.

If you have in your possession or have sold a bus that was purchased from another dealer, that may be affected by this recall, please notify Lisa Hancock at 478-822-2242 or lisa.hancock@blue-bird.com

Sincerely,

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