



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

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

March 25, 2013

Mr. Vince Cline
Engineering Manager
Starcraft Bus
2408 Century Drive
Goshen, IN 46528

NVS-215KS
13V-100

Subject: Incorrect Certification Label

Dear Mr. Cline:

This letter serves to acknowledge Starcraft Bus'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:
STARCRAFT/XLT/2004-2009

Mfr's Report Date: March 18, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V-100

Components:
EQUIPMENT:OTHER:LABELS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 399

Problem Description:

Starcraft Bus is recalling certain model year 2004-2009 XLT buses manufactured from January 16, 2004, to October 29, 2009. The affected vehicles have incorrect values for the Gross Vehicle Weight Rating and Gross Axle Weight Rating specified on the certification label. Thus, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 567, "Certification."

Consequence:

A misprinted label could lead to improper vehicle loading. Improper loading could result in a tire failure, increasing the risk of a crash.

Remedy:

Starcraft will notify owners, and dealers will remedy the buses by either providing a new certification label, adding additional suspension and upgrading the rear tires, or removing seats. The safety recall is expected to begin in March 2013. Owners may contact Starcraft Bus at 1-800-348-7440.

Notes:

Customers may contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "T".

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