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September 21, 2004

Mr. Kenneth Weinstein
Associate Administrator for Enforcement
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
400 Seventh Street, SW Room 5319
Washington, DC 20590

Subject: **Safety Recall 04305 (NHTSA N/A)**

Dear Sir:

On September 21, 2004, IC Corporation declared that a safety defect may exist in the motor vehicles listed on sheet two of this report, and is furnishing notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in accordance with 49 CFR Part 573 Defect and Non-compliance Reports.

Attached is a vehicle defect information report, which is submitted pursuant to CFR 49, Part 573.6.

The undersigned should be contacted for any additional information regarding this recall.

Very truly yours,

IC CORPORATION

Robert L. Douglas
Director of Product Integrity

copy:
George Person
Office of Defects Investigation

Enclosures

DEFECTS INVESTIGATION
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VEHICLE DEFECT INFORMATION REPORT

MAKE	MODELS	MODEL YEAR	NUMBER OF VEHICLES	COMPLETED VEHICLE MANUFACTURING DATES		OTHER IDENTIFICATION NECESSARY TO DESCRIBE VEHICLE
				FROM	THROUGH	
American Transportation	CE	1998	1	3/25/1998	3/25/1998	CE WHITE 30-INCH CHILD RESTRAINT SEAT
American Transportation	CE	2000	1	5/8/2000	5/8/2000	CE WHITE 30-INCH CHILD RESTRAINT SEAT
American Transportation	FE	2001	4	7/20/2000	7/21/2000	CE WHITE 30-INCH CHILD RESTRAINT SEAT
American Transportation	CE	2002	26	8/29/2001	5/25/2002	CE WHITE 30-INCH CHILD RESTRAINT SEAT
American Transportation	FE	2002	8	8/27/2001	5/21/2002	CE WHITE 30-INCH CHILD RESTRAINT SEAT
American Transportation	RE	2002	2	1/17/2002	1/17/2002	CE WHITE 30-INCH CHILD RESTRAINT SEAT
American Transportation/ IC Corporation	CE	2003	14	8/8/2002	2/20/2003	CE WHITE 30-INCH CHILD RESTRAINT SEAT
American Transportation/ IC Corporation	FE	2003	18	1/8/2002	1/8/2003	CE WHITE 30-INCH CHILD RESTRAINT SEAT
IC Corporation	CE	2004	58	3/8/2003	3/30/2004	CE WHITE 30-INCH CHILD RESTRAINT SEAT
IC Corporation	FE	2004	11	12/11/2003	2/2/2004	CE WHITE 30-INCH CHILD RESTRAINT SEAT
IC Corporation	CE	2005	13	3/29/2004	8/24/2004	CE WHITE 30-INCH CHILD RESTRAINT SEAT

Total Number of Vehicles:

154

100% of the above units experience the campaign defect

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RECALL NO 04305

NHTSA N/A

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DESCRIPTION OF DEFECT: The school buses involved in this campaign were built with one or more CE White 30-inch child restraint seats with the aisle side offset leg. The cushion is retained to the seat frame with two turnbuckles. The turnbuckle on the aisle side of the seat cushion is not functional with the offset leg reinforcement leaving only one functional turnbuckle on the wall side of the cushion. Passengers bouncing on the seat and the possibility of the maintenance personnel not placing the seat cushion into position after cleaning, it is feasible that the cushion can move towards the aisle leaving the turnbuckle on the wall side of the cushion ineffective allowing the cushion to tip forward and cause injury to the passenger. Only one turnbuckle is required to meet the requirements of FMVSS 222.

CHRONOLOGY OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS, WHICH LED TO DETERMINATION OF DEFECT:

September 1, 2004: Dealer notified Product Integrity at IC.

September 21, 2004: Our Compliance Committee reviewed this issue and determined that this defect requires campaign action to provide added restraint to prevent the cushion from coming dislodged while being occupied.

MEASURES TO BE TAKEN TO REPAIR VEHICLE: The repair procedure for this defect will require adding a clip to the cushion tying it to the seat frame.

REMEDY EXPENSE: IC will provide parts at no charge and reimburse the customers or dealers for labor. IC will notify the customer their rights as it relates to repairs completed prior to the release of this recall.

EARLIEST DATE DEFECT TO BE REMEDIED: IC will have sufficient quantities of parts available for shipping by October 20, 2004.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: There will be no public announcement.

OWNER LETTER AND TECHNICAL LETTER: Letters will be issued by October 20, 2004.